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To: Contact OGE
Subject: Proposed Rule: Legal Expense Fund Regulation (RIN 3209-AA50)
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Dear OGE,

I strongly oppose OGEs' proposed legal expense fund regulation as drafted. OGE should:

- Remove the exception that makes compliance with the regulation optional
- Replace the proposed recusal requirement with a broader 5-year recusal requirement that prevents donors of cash gifts from influencing decisions, policies, or regulations affecting them or the industries in which they have substantial interests
- Remove te offensive example involving an accused sexual harasser
- Place nonprofit charities (501(c)(3)organizations) on an equal footing with large law firms by allowing them to hire legal counsel for whistleblowers

All of this seems obvious to a lay person such as myself. Ethics should and can mean something. They do to me, and I am hoping that you will show that ethics matter to the OGE as well.

Sincerely,

Jessica Ryan