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I would like to offer my opposition to the OGE's proposed legal expense fund regulation as drafted. The OGE should:

1. Remove the exception that makes compliance with the regulation optional;
2. Replace the proposed recusal requirement with a broader 5-year recusal requirement that prevents donors of cash gifts from influencing decision, policies, or regulations affecting them or the industries in which they have substantial interests;

3. Remove the offensive example involving an accused sexual harasser; and

4. Place non-profit charities (501©(3) organizations) on an equal footing with large law firms by allowing them to hire legal counsel for whistleblowers.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on these changes.

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