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To Whom it May Concern,

I oppose OGE's proposed legal expense fund regulation as drafted.
This is a matter of great ethical importance in our government!

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 the 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.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

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