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Subject:	Proposed Rule: Legal Expense Fund Regulation (RIN 3209-AA50)
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I oppose OGE's proposed legal expense fund regulation as drafted. OGE should:
1. Remove the optional compliance exception.
2. Change the proposed recusal requirement from 1-year to 5-years to prevent donors of cash gifts from influencing decisions or policies/regulations in which they have a vested interest.
3. Remove the offensive example that refers to an accused sexual harraser.
4. Place nonprofit charities, 501c3 organizations, on an equitable footing with large law firms by allowing them to hire legal counsels for whistleblowers.

Democracy can only survive the ongoing threat of corruption with a commitment to transparency.
Sincerely,
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