UNITED STATES OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT ETHICS

February 26, 2020

The Honorable Margaret Wood Hassan Ranking Member Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management Subcommittee United States Senate 439 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Ranking Member Hassan:

This responds to your letter dated February 13, 2020, requesting information about steps the Office of Government Ethics (OGE) is taking to ensure that its website is more mobile-friendly. I am pleased to report OGE was already undertaking a mobile-friendly update of its website, OGE.gov, prior to your letter and plans to be done this year.

OGE's current redesign of its website will result in its website being mobile-friendly as required by The Connected Government Act. This is OGE's first website redesign since the Act was signed into law in January 2018, requiring new and redesigned federal agency public websites to be mobile-friendly.

As part of this redesign, OGE plans to use the U.S. Web Design System 2.0 (USWDS 2.0). USWDS 2.0 includes standards that help ensure federal agencies design and build fast, accessible, mobile-friendly government websites backed by user research and modern best practices. OGE plans to complete the redesign with USWDS 2.0 standards by the end of 2020.

Thank you for the opportunity to detail OGE's web redesign and mobile-friendly efforts. If members of your staff have questions or require additional information, please have them contact OGE's Assistant Counsel for Legislative Affairs, Grant Anderson, at 202-482-9318.

Sincerely,

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Chief Information Officer