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The Honorable Martha N. Johnson
Administrator
U.S. General Services Administration
1800 F Street NW
Washington, DC 20405

Dear Madam Administrator:

I am writing to renew my request for information and documents related to public relations contracts awarded by the General Services Administration (GSA).

On November 12, 2010, I requested that you provide the Subcommittee with two items: (1) a list of contracts awarded by the GSA for public relations, advertising, or similar services and (2) the complete contract file for one contract, a \$235,000 contract to assist GSA with the "impending crisis event" caused by media probes and government investigations of the Bannister Federal Complex in Kansas City. I asked that these documents be provided on or before December 3, 2010.

At the request of GSA officials, the Subcommittee extended the deadline for response to December 15, 2010, and again to December 23, 2010. Although GSA officials have communicated with Subcommittee staff regarding GSA's ongoing efforts, the Subcommittee still has not received any official response from GSA.

To assist the Subcommittee with its investigation, I request that you provide the Subcommittee with the information and documents requested in the November 12, 2010 letter as soon as possible. I also request that you contact Subcommittee staff by the close of business today to establish a firm schedule for responding to the Subcommittee's request.

The jurisdiction of the Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight is set forth in Senate Rule XXV clause 1(k); Senate Resolution 445 section 101 (108th Congress); and Senate Resolution 73 (111th Congress).

Please have your staff contact Margaret Daum at (202) 228-3862 with any questions. Please send any official correspondence relating to this request to kelsey_stroud@hsgac.senate.gov.

Sincerely,



Claire McCaskill
Chairman
Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight

cc: Scott Brown
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight

Attachment