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Dear Mr. Takano:

As part of the Subcommittee's ongoing oversight of government contracts, I am writing to request information regarding Value-Pacific, a subsidiary of Takanoya Company Limited of Okinawa, Japan.

Value-Pacific came to my attention because it is one of several registered federal contractors with an address at 2170 Thomes Avenue in Cheyenne, Wyoming. According to *Reuters*, 2170 Thomes Avenue is a 1,700 square foot house that serves as the corporate address of more than 2,000 companies, some of which appear to be shell companies used to obscure the identity of their beneficial owners.¹

I request that you respond to this letter with information regarding your company's principal place of business, U.S. and foreign locations, and the names and addresses of all individuals and companies with actual or effective ownership or control of the company. In addition, I request that you provide the Subcommittee with a brief explanation of your company's decision to list 2710 Thomes Avenue as your business address in a federal government contracting database.

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). An attachment to this letter provides additional information about how to respond to the Subcommittee's request.

I appreciate your cooperation with this request. Please contact Sarah Garcia with the Subcommittee staff at (202) 224-4462 with any questions. Please send any official correspondence relating to this request to kelsey_stroud@hsgac.senate.gov.

¹ Reuters, *Special Report: A Little House of Secrets on the Great Plains* (June 28, 2011).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Claire McCaskill". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Claire" starting with a large loop and the last name "McCaskill" following in a similar style.

Claire McCaskill

Chairman

Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight

cc: Rob Portman
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight

Enclosure