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COMMITTEE ON
HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

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April 20, 2015

The Honorable Susan Tsui Grundmann
Chairman
U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board
1615 M Street, NW, Room 680
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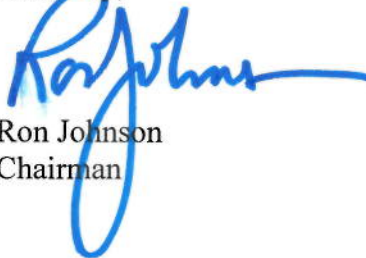
Dear Chairman Grundmann:

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is investigating the causes of the tragedies that occurred at the Tomah Veterans Affairs Medical Center (Tomah VAMC). I understand that the Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB) possesses documents concerning a proceeding brought by a former employee of the Tomah VAMC, Ron Pelham, against the Department of Veterans Affairs. To assist the Committee's ongoing investigation, I write to request all documents in the possession, custody, or control of the MSPB referring or relating to any MSPB case filed by Ron Pelham, including but not limited to the case with the docket number CH-0752-14-0758-I-1. I request these documents be produced without redactions as soon as possible but no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 4, 2015.

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized by Rule XXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate to investigate "the efficiency and economy of operations of all branches of the Government."¹ Additionally, S. Res. 73 (114th Congress) authorize the Committee to examine "the efficiency and economy of all branches of the Government including the possible existence of fraud, misfeasance, malfeasance, collusion, mismanagement, incompetence, corruption, or unethical practices"² For purposes of responding to this request, please refer to the definitions and instructions in the enclosure.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Kyle Brosnan of the Committee staff at (202) 224-4751. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



Ron Johnson
Chairman

¹ S. Rule XXV(k); *see also* S. Res. 445, 108th Cong. (2004).

² S. Res. 73 § 12, 114th Cong. (2015).

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cc: The Honorable Thomas R. Carper
Ranking Member

Enclosure