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The Honorable Lisa Murkowski Chairwoman Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Committee on Appropriations United States Senate 131 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam Chairwoman:

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If you have any further questions, please have a member of your staff contact our Office of Congressional Relations at (202) 720–7095. A similar letter is being sent to Ranking Member Tom Udall.

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