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Ms. Leslie Field
Executive Office of the President
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Ms. Field:

Thank you for your letter of April 24, 2009 requesting the State Department to evaluate the impact of rescinding the overseas Cost Accounting Standards exemption for contracts and subcontracts executed and performed entirely outside the United States. Eliminating the overseas exemption at the State Department will have minimal impact as there are few major contracts that are both executed and performed overseas that are subject to CAS.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment on this important issue. For further information please contact Kim Triplett at 703-875-4079.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Corey M. Rindner".

Corey M. Rindner
Senior Procurement Executive