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Senator Robert C. Byrd, Chairman
U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
S-131 United States Capitol Building
Washington, DC 20510

Senator Thad Cochran, Ranking Member
U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
S-146A United States Capitol Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Byrd and Cochran:

Now that Congress has completed conference on the Fiscal Year 2008 Appropriations Bills, below is my certification statement consistent with Congress' approved version of S. 1, The "Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007."

"I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest, consistent with the requirements of Paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, in any congressionally directed spending that I requested from the Committee on Appropriations for fiscal year 2008."

If you have any questions, please contact Bob Herbert of my staff at (202) 228-4578.

Sincerely,

Harry Reid

HARRY REID
United States Senator

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