

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-4504

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The Honorable Robert C. Byrd
Chairman
The Honorable Thad Cochran
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Byrd and Ranking Member Cochran:

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested through the Appropriations Committee for fiscal year 2009 consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Thank you for your efforts to ensure proper compliance of the U.S. Senate's ethics rules.

Sincerely,



BERNARD SANDERS
United States Senator