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The Honorable Robert C. Byrd
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
S-131, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Thad Cochran
Ranking Member
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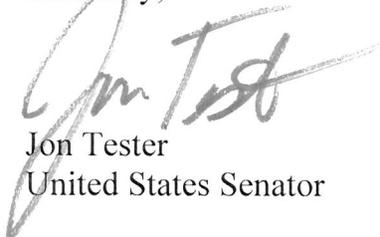
Dear Chairman Byrd and Ranking Member Cochran:

As part of the FY 2009 appropriations process, I have submitted directed spending requests for FY 2009 appropriations bills or reports as required by the Senate Appropriations Committees and the individual Subcommittees.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest, consistent with the requirements Paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, in any congressionally directed spending item that I requested that is contained in any FY 2009 Appropriations Subcommittee Conference Report, House Report, Senate Report, or accompanying Statement of Managers.

Thank you for your leadership on the Appropriations Committee. If you or your staff has any questions or concerns, please contact James Wise at 228-6279 or Daniel Stein at 228-6280.

Sincerely,



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