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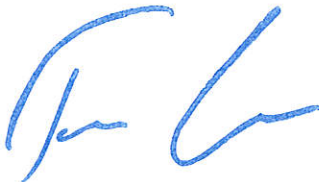
January 18, 2018

The Honorable Gene L. Dodaro  
Comptroller General of the United States  
U.S. Government Accountability Office  
441 G Street NW  
Washington, D.C. 20548

Dear Mr. Dodaro:

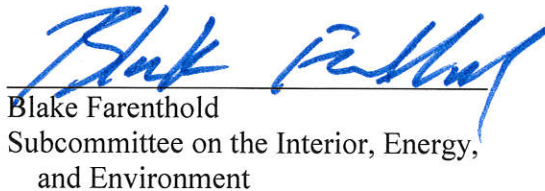
We understand GAO is considering a request by Senators Ron Johnson, Claire McCaskill, Rand Paul, and Gary Peters, to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the federal government's preparedness, response, and recovery efforts for hurricanes and wildfires in 2017.<sup>1</sup> We would like to be added as co-requesters on this prospective engagement. Our staff has spoken to their staff and they have agreed that we may become co-requesters.

Please contact Jessica Conrad of the majority staff at (202) 225-5074 with any questions about this request. Thank you for your attention to this matter.



Trey Gowdy

Sincerely,

  
Gary J. Palmer  
Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Affairs  
Blake Farenthold  
Subcommittee on the Interior, Energy,  
and Environment

cc: The Honorable Elijah E. Cummings  
  
The Honorable Val Butler Demings  
Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Affairs  
  
The Honorable Stacey E. Plaskett  
Subcommittee on the Interior, Energy, and Environment

<sup>1</sup> Letter from Ron Johnson, et al., Chairman, S. Comm. on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs, to Gen. Dodaro, Comptroller Gen. of the United States (Dec. 21, 2017).