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Honorable Mike DeWine  
Chairman, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510-6025

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

This letter communicates our findings on the promptness of payments the Department of the Interior made to the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (DC WASA) for water and sewer services provided for fourth quarter fiscal year 2003, from July 1, 2003, through September 30, 2003, (in accordance with the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2001).

The National Park Service (NPS) pays DC WASA for services to the majority of the parks and NPS facilities within the District of Columbia by electronic transfer of funds through the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Water and sewer services provided along the George Washington Memorial Parkway (GW Parkway) and within the C&O Canal National Historical Park (C&O Canal) are paid individually by either check or third party draft directly to DC WASA. NPS was timely in its fourth quarter electronic fund transfer payment of \$556,988.84 for the largest account. The parties responsible for the other locations' payments had not received fourth quarter bills at the time of our inquiry. In our next quarterly report, we will include information as to whether these bills have been received and paid in a timely manner.

Our August 13, 2003, report on third quarter billings indicated that NPS had not received third quarter bills for GW Parkway and the C&O Canal. As a follow-up, billings for GW Parkway, totaling \$108, and C&O Canal, totaling \$6,042, have been received and paid in a timely manner. The report also indicated that NPS had not received second quarter bills from DC WASA for the C&O Canal. The second quarter billing for C&O Canal, totaling \$292, has been received and paid in a timely manner.

Should you have questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at (202) 208-5745 or Ms. Pamela Boteler, Director of External Affairs, Office of Inspector General, at (202) 208-3273.

Sincerely,

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Honorable Mary L. Landrieu  
Ranking Minority Member  
Subcommittee on the District of Columbia  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510-6025

Dear Senator Landrieu:

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Honorable Rodney Frelinghuysen  
Chairman, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-6019

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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Honorable Chaka Fattah  
Ranking Minority Member  
Subcommittee on the District of Columbia  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-6019

Dear Congressman Fattah:

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