

February 1, 2005

E-EV-MOA-0010-2005

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

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 billed during the first quarter (October 1 through December 31) of fiscal year 2005.

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 and within the C&O Canal National Historical Park are paid individually by either check or third party draft directly to DC WASA.

NPS was timely in its first quarter electronic fund transfer payment of \$227,944 for the largest account. The parties responsible for the other locations' payments had not received first 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.

We also found that fourth quarter bills for FY 2004 for the George Washington Memorial Parkway and the C&O Canal National Historical Park, which were received in the first quarter of FY 2005, were paid in a timely manner.

If you should have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at (202) 208-5745 or Mr. Roy Kime, Attorney Advisor, Office of Inspector General, at (202) 208-6232.

Sincerely,

(Signed)

Earl E. Devaney
Inspector General

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

Dear Senator Landrieu:

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

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

Dear Congressman Fattah:

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