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Washington, DC 20240

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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
Chairman, Subcommittee on Financial Services
and General Government
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510-1304

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This letter communicates our findings on the promptness of payments the Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS) made to the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (DCWASA) for water and sewer services billed during the fourth quarter (July 1 through September 30, 2008) of fiscal year 2008.

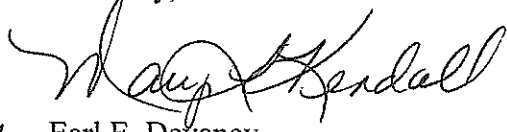
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NPS had not received all of the fourth quarter bills at the time of our inquiry. In our next quarterly report, we will include information as to whether these bills have been received and paid in a timely manner.

Should you have 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,

for 
Earl E. Devaney
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The Honorable Sam Brownback
Ranking Minority Member
Subcommittee on Financial Services
and General Government
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510-1604

Dear Senator Brownback:

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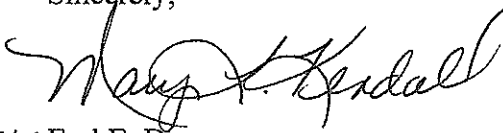
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The Honorable Jose E. Serrano
Chairman, Subcommittee on Financial Services
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Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-3216

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The Honorable Ralph Regula
Ranking Minority Member
Subcommittee on Financial Services
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Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-3516

Dear Congressman Regula:

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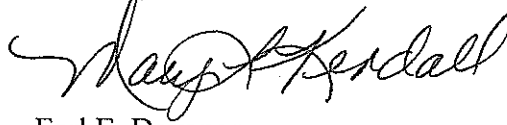
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