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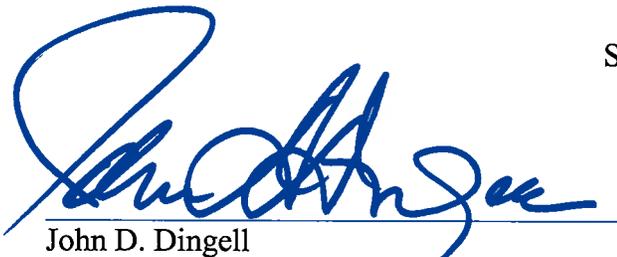
The Honorable David M. Walker
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U.S. Government Accountability Office
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Dear Comptroller General Walker:

We understand that Senator Kohl, Chairman of the Senate Special Committee on Aging; Senator Grassley, Ranking Member of the Committee on Finance; and Senators Clinton, Klobuchar, and Obama have requested that the Government Accountability Office review certain issues relating to long-term care insurance, including consumer protections and enforcement of standards related to claims denials and rate increases. The Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations would like to join their request. We have consulted with Senator Kohl and the other requesters and understand that they have no objection.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Kristine Blackwood with the Committee on Energy and Commerce staff at (202) 226-2424.

Sincerely,



John D. Dingell
Chairman



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cc: The Honorable Bart Stupak, Chairman
Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations

The Honorable Ed Whitfield, Ranking Member
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The Honorable Barack Obama, Member
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