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July 28, 2014

The Honorable Daniel Levinson
Inspector General
Department of Health and Human Services
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. Levinson,

Pursuant to Rules X and XI of the U.S. House of Representatives, the committee is investigating whether the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and/or the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) complied with federal select agent regulations with regard to dangerous pathogens discovered at an FDA lab on the NIH campus (Building 29A), and whether the NIH and/or FDA adequately ensured that FDA laboratories on the NIH campus were in compliance with any other applicable legal requirements or duties.

It is our understanding that the Office of Inspector General has conducted at least one audit relating to safety and security of NIH or FDA laboratories at Building 29A on the NIH campus, and select agents.

To assist the committee, please provide by August 15, 2014 the following:

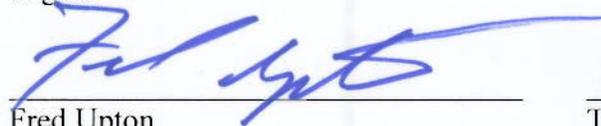
1. Copies of any HHS Office of Inspector General audits conducted from 1980 through present on issues and vulnerabilities at the National Institutes of Health, Building 29A or at the Food and Drug Administration, Building 29A, relating to select agent regulations.

We further request that two copies be provided to the committee, one for the Majority and one for the Minority. Your prompt assistance is appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Alan Slobodin of the committee staff at (202) 225-2927.

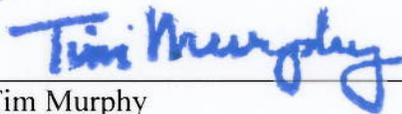
Sincerely,

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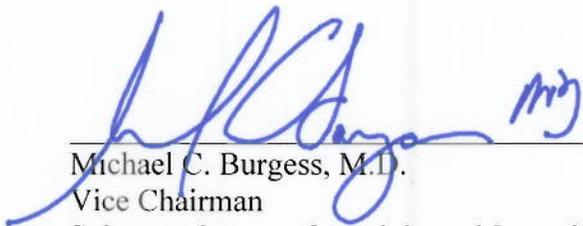
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Attachment

cc: The Honorable Henry A. Waxman, Ranking Member

The Honorable Diana DeGette, Ranking Member
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