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Washington, DC 20548

February 27, 2006

The Honorable Russell D. Feingold  
United States Senate

Dear Senator Feingold:

We received your letter dated February 14, 2006, jointly signed by a number of your colleagues, requesting that the Government Accountability Office review several issues concerning competitive sourcing issues at the Forest Service.

GAO accepts your request as work that is within the scope of its authority. To fully respond to your request, GAO plans to initiate work on this project in about four months when it is expected that staff with the required skills will be available. Your request has been assigned to Mr. Robert A. Robinson, Managing Director, Natural Resources and Environment. Mr. Robinson or a member of his team will contact Ms. Amanda Beaumont to discuss the request and options for helping you meet your needs.

If you have any questions, please contact

Sincerely yours,

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