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The Honorable Zoe Lofgren Chairperson Committee on House Administration 1309 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rodney Davis Ranking Member Committee on House Administration 1216 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairperson Lofgren and Ranking Member Davis,

As required by Section 505 of House Resolution 756 from the 116th Congress, agreed to by the House on March 10, 2020, I am submitting this quarterly report about the assignment of unique identifiers for reports filed by registered lobbyists.

In our May 26, 2020, initial report to the Committee we identified two potential solutions, and we continue to have questions about scope and desired project outcomes to discuss with your Committee, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Senate. We have yet to fully complete these discussions and welcome the opportunity to meet with your staffs to discuss these matters.

On a related matter, we continue to do initial work toward building an administrative component that will allow for programmatic and manual review of lobbyist names that appear on Lobbying Disclosure registration and reporting forms. We have begun preliminary work on indexing first and last names on LD/LC reports, linking those names to lobbyists' accounts, and building a list of names that would need to be reviewed manually.

If you or others on the Committee have questions about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Clerk of the House

¹ Office of the Clerk. *Assignment of Unique Identifiers for Reports Filed by Registered Lobbyists*, May 26, 2020. https://cha.house.gov/sites/democrats.cha.house.gov/files/documents/Assignment%20of%20Unique%20Identifiers%20for%20Reports%20Filed%20by%20Registered%20Lobbyists.pdf.