

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

January 30, 2009

The Honorable Robert M. Gates
Secretary of Defense
1000 Defense Pentagon
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Dear Secretary Gates:

We write regarding the OMB Circular A-76 review of installation management functions under the Defense Logistics Agency Enterprise Support organization (DES). It is our understanding that the Department of Defense's Competitive Sourcing Official is disinclined to approve a request by the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) to undertake an internal re-engineering effort as an alternative means of ensuring workplace efficiency and cost savings.

Upon reviewing the recent concerns raised by the General Accountability Office regarding the level of savings achieved under OMB Circular A-76, and the information provided to our offices regarding DLA's alternate approach, it appears the latter offers a viable alternative that would result in savings more quickly.

Given our mutual interest in ensuring the DES mission is accomplished in an efficient and cost-effective manner, we respectfully request the Department to give all due consideration to the internal re-engineering effort developed by DLA.

We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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