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March 18, 2013

Hon. Darrell E. Issa
Chairman, House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
2157 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: FY 2012 Buy American Act Report

Dear Mr. Issa:

In accordance with the requirements of the Buy American Act, I am submitting the fiscal year 2012 report on behalf of the U.S. Office of Special Counsel.

OSC purchases most of its goods and services through the General Services Administration's Federal Supply Schedules, in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 8 "Required Sources of Supplies and Services." Because vendors make their Buy American Act certifications directly to GSA under their federal supply schedule contracts, only GSA has the information about country of origin for those products. For the minority of items purchased outside of GSA procurement vehicles, the vendors submitted no exceptions to the use of domestic end products.

- OSC purchased articles, materials and supplies totaling \$374,154 in FY 2012, 100 percent of which were manufactured in the United States.
- There were no waivers granted with respect to such articles, materials, or supplies under the Buy American Act (41 USC 10a) for FY 2012.

OSC will continue to monitor our procurements, comply with the Act, and provide reports to Congress as required. A copy of this letter will be placed on the OSC web site: <http://www.osc.gov>. If you have any questions, please contact Karl Kammann at (202) 254-3627.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn N. Lerner".

Carolyn N. Lerner
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Hon. Thomas R. Carper,
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340 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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