January 28, 2015

The Honorable John J. Duncan, Jr.
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4202

Dear Congressman Duncan:

Thank you for your letter of October 8, 2014, to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), regarding the Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act of 1998. Your letter requests information from agency inventories regarding the number of Federal employees performing non-inherently governmental work. I am responding on the Director’s behalf.

As your letter states, the FAIR Act requires executive agencies to annually develop an inventory of activities performed by Federal employees that are not inherently governmental functions. The requirement applies to all agencies listed in the Chief Financial Officers (CFO) Act as well as non-CFO Act agencies with 100 or more full-time employees (Section 840 of the Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, the District of Columbia, and the Independent Agencies Appropriations Act of 2006 provided an exemption for small executive agencies with fewer than 100 full-time employees). In fiscal year 2013, all covered agencies reported inventory information to OMB which identified 1.12 million full-time-equivalent employees performing functions that are not inherently governmental functions. The availability of the inventories was announced in the Federal Register on December 16, 2014. The link to the announcement is https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2014/12/16/2014-29387/public-availability-of-fiscal-year-2012-and-2013-agency-inventories-under-the-federal-activities.

Thank you for your inquiry. Should your staff have any questions, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs at (202) 395-4790.

Sincerely,

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Administrator