United States Senate

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VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

The Honorable Scott Dahl Inspector General, U.S. Department of Labor Chairperson **Integrity Committee** Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency

Dear Mr. Dahl,

As the Chairmen of the undersigned committees, we are aware that your office has conducted an investigation into whistleblower allegations of misconduct by Ms. Peggy Gustafson, who currently serves as the Inspector General for the Department of Commerce. We understand that another investigation into additional, similar allegations may be ongoing. Ms. Gustafson shared the notification of investigation memo from your committee dated September 23, 2019, in response to a request from Chairman Grassley. The undersigned committees are now jointly investigating additional allegations made by a growing number of whistleblowers. As part of the investigation, our staffs interviewed Ms. Gustafson on January 9, 2020, and will seek to conduct interviews of her staff in the coming weeks. In the interest of de-confliction and to avoid any possible duplication of efforts, pursuant to Section 11 (10) (C) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, we respectfully request that our committee staffs be briefed on the status of your investigations.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request. Please contact Robert Turner of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation majority staff at (202) 224-1251 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Charles Grassley

Chairman

Senate Committee on Finance

Chairman

Senate Committee on Commerce,

Science, and Transportation

Ron Johnson

Chairman

Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs