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October 23, 2013

The Honorable Eric K. Shinseki  
 Secretary  
 Department of Veterans Affairs  
 810 Vermont Ave., NW  
 Washington, DC 20420

Dear Secretary Shinseki:

We are writing to advise you that the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, under Rules X and XI of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, is continuing a formal bipartisan investigation into Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Information Technology (IT) security.

Please be advised that the Subcommittee is operating under a heightened sense of urgency regarding this investigation and the resulting requests for answers to questions and the production of documents will require the highest priority and accelerated responses from the VA. This letter and attachment supplements the Subcommittee's October 22, 2013 letter on VA's IT security. We are providing the attached questions and document request to understand, in more detail, your progress towards meeting federal information security provisions. Specifically, the attachment (A) identifies VA's information security responsibilities, described as either statutory requirements or as critical to effective information security management. We ask that you complete and return the attachment (A) and supporting documentation by **Wednesday, November 6, 2013**.

Please deliver your attachment responses and relevant documentation to the Majority Oversight & Investigations Subcommittee offices (335 Cannon House Office Building) by the date specified above.

If there are any questions regarding this investigation, please have your staff contact Eric Hannel, Majority Staff Director at (202) 225-3569.

**Mike Coffman**  
 Chairman,  
 Subcommittee on Oversight and  
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Attachment A