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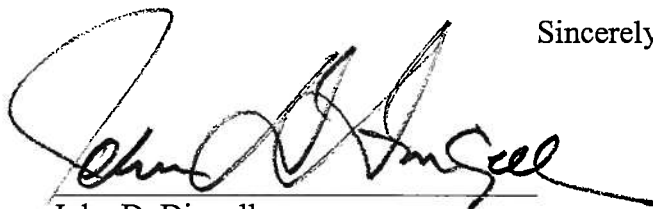
The Honorable David M. Walker
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U.S. Government Accountability Office
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Dear Mr. Walker:

We understand that Representative Christopher Shays has requested that the Government Accountability Office (GAO) perform a study of risks associated with the proliferation of biosafety level 3 and 4 laboratories. We have advised Rep. Shays of the interest of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations of the Committee on Energy and Commerce in joining as a co-requestor for this study and hereby request that, in accordance with GAO policies, the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations be so named as a co-requestor.

Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact John Sopko, Chief Counsel for Oversight, at (202) 226-2424.

Sincerely,



John D. Dingell
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cc: The Honorable Joe Barton, Ranking Member
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