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Dear OMB;

I heartily support the Administration's goal to subject all 850,000 federal workers performing commercial activities to competition and to bring about outsourcing and privatization where appropriate.

I commend the Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) for seeking to improve Circular A-76, which has become an impediment to competition and appropriate privatization of commercial activities provided by federal agencies.

I support the November 2002 Circular A-76 revisions. Entrepreneurs and workers will have new opportunities to seek work previously unavailable to the private sector, and the revisions will help eliminate unfair government competition.

I also support the provisions that eliminate Unfair Competition under Agency-to-Agency arrangements. We particularly support the presumption that all activities are "presumed to be commercial", as this reinforces and supports the longstanding policy of both Democrat and Republican Administrations to rely on the private sector for goods and services.

Finally, I support efforts to enable government employees to bid as a group in competition with private companies. I think this is another way to insure that everyone feels there is a level playing field in the area of privatization.

I know from personal experience that privatization can be a win - win situation. Our company has provided outstanding service to the government at a lower cost than the previous internal government service provider. As a result, we have saved the government money, and also enabled our customers to focus on the essential, core government services which they are tasked to perform, instead of secondary support services which are not a core mission.

Sincerely,

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