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The Honorable John F. Kerry
Ranking Member
Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Kerry:

In reference to your letter of March 24, 2005, I am providing information below on the use of Women's Business Center funding since FY 2001. The attached table shows the net appropriated amounts (appropriation less rescinded amounts) for the Women's Business Center program beginning in FY 2001 thru FY 2005 and requested for FY 2006. It also shows total obligations against the appropriated amounts (which were fully allocated to the program office). These obligations include some administrative expenses which are also shown on a separate line at the bottom of the chart. The balance is the total not obligated during the year. These funds are unavailable once the fiscal year ends.

If you have any questions about this information, please contact Brian Worth in the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs at (202) 205-6700.

Sincerely,

Hector V. Barreto
Administrator

US Small Business Administration
Women's Business Centers (WBC)
(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY 2001 Actual	FY 2002 Actual	FY 2003 Actual	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Estimate	FY 2006 Request
Program Funds						
Appropriated	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,000
Rescission	0	0	(81)	(131)	(167)	0
Net Appropriation	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,419	\$ 12,369	\$ 12,333	\$ 12,000
Obligations	11,989	12,000	12,298	12,245	12,333	12,000
Balance	\$ 11	\$ 0	\$ 121	\$ 124	\$ 0	\$ 0
WBC Administration						
Obligations	\$ 218	\$ 251	\$ 186	\$ 195		

1/ Includes the amounts obligated for WBC Administration.