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Dear Mr. Childs,

Putting half of all federal jobs out for bid will damage the effectiveness of the U.S. Government and harm the security of the United States. Replacing experienced federal workers with temporary employees causes inefficiency, waste and a higher risk of criminal wrongdoings that compromise our national security. Recently, a local television news program aired an expose about convicted violent criminals employed by sub-contractors to utility companies in the area. Convicted rapists and child molesters were given access to unsuspecting families' homes to install or repair utility services. Who knows how many Al Queda operatives and Osama bin Laden sympathizers would be able to gain access to government operations as sub-contracted temporary employees.

Replacing seasoned and experienced federal workers with contracted temporary employees' results in lost knowledge and expertise to get the most service to taxpayers for the least cost. The wages of most federal workers are already about 18% less than their private sector counterparts.

This proposal is most unwise when this country needs to focus its resources on the war against terrorism. We usually get what we pay for and trying to save a few pennies by replacing

seasoned federal workers with under paid contracted temporaries is disastrous short-term thinking at its worst.

Yours truly,
Bill Brown

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