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Mr. Peter Orszag, Director Office of Management and Budget 725 17th Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20503

Director Orszag:

This letter is written to fulfill my obligation under Section 1607 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("the Act"), which provides the following:

SEC. 1607. (a) CERTIFICATION BY GOVERNOR.—Not later than 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act, for funds provided to any State or agency thereof, the Governor of the State shall certify that: (1) the State will request and use funds provided by this Act; and (2) the funds will be used to create jobs and promote economic growth.

I hereby certify that the State of Illinois will request and use funds provided by this Act; and that the funds will be used to create jobs and promote economic growth.

I trust that this fulfills my obligations under Section 1607 of the Act.

Sincerely,

Pat Quinn

Governor of the State of Illinois