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April 3, 2009

Mr. William P. Utt
President and Chief Executive Officer, Chairman
KBR
601 Jefferson Street
Houston, TX 77002

Dear Mr. Utt:

As part of the Subcommittee's ongoing oversight of contract management, I am writing to request information relating to KBR's contracts with Kuwait & Gulf Link Transport Company (KGL), a Kuwaiti company. This issue was brought to my attention by Senator Bill Nelson, who requested that the Subcommittee initiate an investigation into the response of KGL following the death of Lieutenant Colonel Dominic "Rocky" Baragona, an Army logistician from Florida.

On May 19, 2003, Lt. Col. Baragona was killed in Safwan, Iraq, when his vehicle was struck by a truck being driven by a driver employed by the Kuwait & Gulf Link Transport Company (KGL), a Kuwaiti company. Since 2000, KGL has received nearly \$40 million in federal prime contracts.¹ KGL has also received approximately \$100 million from federal subcontracts, including multiple subcontracts under KBR's LOGCAP contract to support the troops in Iraq.² The total value of KGL's current contracts and subcontracts is unknown.

To assist the Subcommittee in its investigation, I request that you provide the following information and documents:

- (1) a list of all subcontracts awarded to KGL under U.S. government contracts, including the federal prime contract number, subcontract number, date of award, duration, value, and a brief description of scope;
- (2) all audits, reports, assessments, or evaluations related to KGL's performance on U.S. government subcontracts;
- (3) all communications with U.S. government officials relating to KGL's performance on government subcontracts.

¹ USASpending.gov (accessed April 1, 2009).

² S. 526, 111th Congress (March 4, 2009).

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I request that you provide this information as soon as possible, but in no case later than **Friday, April 17, 2009**. If you determine that you will be unable to make a complete production by this date, please contact Subcommittee staff to discuss possible modifications to this schedule.

The jurisdiction of the Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight is set forth in Senate Rule XXV clause 1(k); Senate Resolution 445 section 101 (108th Congress); and Senate Resolution 73 (111th Congress). An attachment to this letter provides additional information on how to respond to the Subcommittee's request.

Please contact Margaret Daum with the Subcommittee staff at (202) 224-8316 with any questions.

Sincerely,



Claire McCaskill
Chairman
Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight

Enclosure

cc: Susan Collins
Acting Ranking Member