

MIKE BEEBE Governor

March 5, 2009

Peter Orzag, Director Office of Management and Budget 725 17th Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20503

Dear Director Orzag:

This letter shall serve to fulfill the requirement 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 Arkansas, and agencies thereof, will request and use funds provided by this Act, and that such funds will be used to create jobs and promote economic growth.

I am confident that this fulfills my obligation under Section 1607 of the Act. If you have questions or concerns regarding this certificate, please contact my office.

Sincerely

Mike Beebe

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