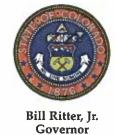
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Dear Mr. Orszag:

In accordance with Title XVI, section 1607 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Pub. L. 111-5) ("ARRA"), I certify that the State of Colorado will request the funds provided by the ARRA and that those funds will be used to create jobs and promote economic growth.

Sincerely,

Bill Ritter, Jr. Governor