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The Honorable Dave Camp  
Chairman  
Committee on Ways and Means  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1102 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515-6100

The Honorable Charles Boustany, Jr. MD  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Oversight

Dear Chairman Camp and Chairman Boustany:

I am writing in response to your June 16, 2014, and your June 26, 2014, letters to Assistant Secretary David Michaels, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), seeking information related to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) employees. Your June 16, 2014, letter seeks all communications between former IRS employee Lois Lerner and employees of OSHA for the period between January 1, 2009, and May 1, 2011. Your letter explains that the IRS has informed the Committee that a technological failure resulted in the loss of Ms. Lerner's emails with parties outside of the IRS for this period. OSHA conducted a search for communications between Ms. Lerner and OSHA employees and has not identified any responsive documents. Beyond news reports, OSHA had not been previously informed that documents related to Ms. Lerner were lost.

Your June 26, 2014 letter seeks all communications between OSHA employees and 5 additional IRS employees. The Department understands that the IRS is working to determine whether any of these custodians' emails are missing and will report these findings to the Committee. We encourage you to continue working with the IRS to obtain the information that you seek.

If you or members of your staff have any questions, please contact Kate Garza, Senior Counselor for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, U.S. Department of Labor. She may be reached at (202) 693-4600.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Adri Jayaratne".

Adri Jayaratne  
Acting Assistant Secretary

cc: The Honorable Sandy Levin, Ranking Minority Member  
Committee on Ways and Means

The Honorable John Lewis, Ranking Minority Member  
Subcommittee on Oversight