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Respectfully, the consistent degradation of ethical guidelines in our government over the last 20+ years is directly responsible for the state of nigh-irreversible decline our nation now finds itself. Ethical guidelines CANNOT be optional, or they WILL be; invariably, as we have seen, corruption takes root wherever ethics in our halls of government are lax, regardless of partisan affiliation. Often this corruption is engineered &/or funded by hostile foreign governments appealing to the financial interests of the American political & entrepreneurial classes.

We, as a sovereign union, are running very short on time to repair the damage done & reform ethical enforcement guidelines to prevent further erosion of American democracy in service of the extranational business class.

I oppose OGE's proposed legal expense fund regulation as drafted. OGE should:

- remove the exception that makes compliance with the regulation optional;

- replace the proposed recusal requirement with a broader 5-year recusal requirement that prevents donors of cash gifts from influencing decisions, policies, or regulations affecting them or the industries in which they have substantial interests;

- remove the offensive example involving an accused sexual harasser; and

- place nonprofit charities (501(c)(3) organizations) on an equal footing with large law firms by allowing them to hire legal counsel for whistleblowers.

Thank you for your time, and your service to democracy,

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