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The Honorable Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress
13873 Park Center Road
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Dear Representative Wolf:

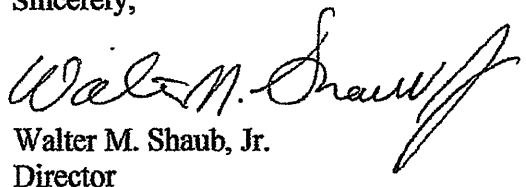
Thank you for your information request on behalf of your constituent, Adam Davidson,¹ Chief Executive Officer of HRWorx, LLC.

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Thank you for the opportunity to share OGE's efforts to comply with its e-filing mandate under the STOCK Act. Please contact OGE's Program Counsel, Shelley K. Finlayson, at (202) 482-9314, if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,


Walter M. Shaub, Jr.
Director

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