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The Honorable Darrell Issa
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The Honorable Elijah Cummings
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The Honorable Michael Turner
United States House of Representatives
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Dear Messrs. Issa, Cummings and Turner:

I write to update you on the progress of the Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program's ("SIGTARP") congressionally requested audit of the Department of the Treasury's role in General Motors decision to "top-up" Delphi Corporation's pension plan for hourly workers and whether the Administration or the Automotive Task Force pressured GM to provide additional funding for the plan. SIGTARP cannot complete its work because three former members of the Auto Task Force, Ron Bloom, Matthew Feldman and Harry Wilson, have refused to meet with SIGTARP and provide information and answers to questions concerning the role they played with respect to this decision. SIGTARP believes that the Auto Task Force played a role in the pension decision and these individuals' failure to speak to SIGTARP on this issue poses a significant obstacle to SIGTARP's ability to complete its audit. I have been advised by SIGTARP's General Counsel that SIGTARP does not have the legal authority to compel these individuals to testify. I believe it necessary to inform you to keep you apprised of the status of the audit.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions at 202-622-1419.

Sincerely,

Christy L. Romero
Special Inspector General

cc: The Honorable Timothy Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury
Mr. Gene B. Sperling, Director of the National Economic Council