



U.S. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

441 G St. N.W.
Washington, DC 20548

February 12, 2016

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of February 1, 2016, requesting that the Government Accountability Office review the Department of Labor's oversight of the Central States, South-east and Southwest Areas Pension Fund.

GAO accepts your request as work that is within the scope of its authority. Your request has been assigned to Ms. Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Managing Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security and staff are available to begin the work shortly. Ms. Bovbjerg or a member of her team will contact Mr. Chris Conlin to discuss the request, your needs, and the engagement objectives, scope, and methodology in accordance with GAO's protocols. As applicable, we will also be in contact with the cognizant Inspector General's office to ensure that we are not duplicating efforts. If an issue arises during this coordination, we will consult with you regarding its resolution.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Bovbjerg at [REDACTED] or bovbjergb@gao.gov, or Mr. Paul Thompson, Assistant Director, Congressional Relations, on my staff at [REDACTED] or thompsonp@gao.gov.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Katherine Siggerud'.

Katherine Siggerud
Managing Director
Congressional Relations

cc: Mr. Chris Conlin

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