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Dear Mr. Smallberg:

This is the response of the Office of Government Ethics (OGE) to your January 17, 2007 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, in which you sought a copy of the original calendar year (CY) 2000 annual report of former Commerce Department and Transportation Department Secretary Norman Y. Mineta. You also specifically asked for any other (amended) copies of Schedule B of that report. Our file review has not located any such other copies or versions of that schedule or the CY 2000 report itself.

Please note that copies of SF 278 reports are available to the public for six years after receipt pursuant to the special access procedures of section 105 of the Ethics in Government Act, 5 U.S.C. app., § 105, and 5 C.F.R. § 2634.603 of OGE's regulations, not the FOIA. A copy of a blank OGE Form 201 Ethics Act access form is enclosed so that you can request a copy of the CY 2000 annual report of the former Secretary on file here at OGE. The OGE Form 201 is also available in the forms section of OGE's Website ([www.usoge.gov](http://www.usoge.gov)).

The OGE official responsible for these FOIA determinations is the undersigned. In accordance with the FOIA, as codified at 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(A), and OGE's FOIA regulations, at 5 C.F.R. § 2604.304, you may administratively appeal this determination that OGE has no other versions of former Secretary Mineta's CY 2000 SF 278 annual report or Schedule B thereof. The name and address of the OGE official to whom such an appeal would have to be submitted are: Marilyn L. Glynn, General Counsel, Office of Government Ethics, Suite 500, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20005-3917. Any such appeal must be in writing and must be sent within 30 days of the date you receive this response letter. If you do appeal, you should include copies of your request and this response as well as a statement

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of why you believe this initial determination is in error. Moreover, if you do appeal, you should clearly indicate on the envelope and in the letter that it is a "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

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Enclosure