



THE DIRECTOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

July 20, 2007

The Honorable Russ Feingold
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Russ,

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the report required by section 641 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY 2005, P.L. 108-447, and by section 837 of Division A of the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, the District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, FY 2006, P.L. 109-115. These provisions require the head of each Federal agency to report to Congress on the amount of acquisitions made by the agency from entities that manufacture end products outside the United States. Your letter asks for this information regarding purchases by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) during FYs 2005 and 2006.

Information on OMB's acquisitions, including procurements from foreign manufacturers and waivers (if any) from the Buy American Act (BAA), is reported to the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS), the government-wide database on federal procurement activity. OMB staff reviewed the FPDS, which indicates the following:

- (1) OMB did not purchase any foreign-manufactured end products during FY 2005 or FY 2006.
- (2) No waivers of the BAA were granted for acquisitions conducted during these years.
- (3) OMB obligations for goods manufactured in the United States were \$1,575,000 for FY 2005 and \$751,000 for FY 2006.

This information will be made available for public viewing on our website.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rob Portman".

Rob Portman
Director