Ms. Susan Beard
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U.S. Department of Energy
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Washington, DC 20585

Dear Ms. Beard:

The purpose of this letter is to describe the steps that I will take to avoid any actual or apparent conflict of interest in the event that I am confirmed for the position of Under Secretary for Science, Department of Energy.

As required by the United States Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Recusal Policy dated February 16, 2011, and 18 U.S.C. § 208(a), I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter in which I know that I have a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, or in which I know that a person whose interests are imputed to me has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2). I understand that the interests of the following persons are imputed to me: any spouse or minor child of mine; any general partner of a partnership in which I am a limited or general partner; any organization in which I serve as officer, director, trustee, general partner or employee; and any person or organization with which I am negotiating or have an arrangement concerning prospective employment.

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position with J.P. Morgan. For a period of one year after my resignation, I also will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know J.P. Morgan is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d). In addition, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know a former client of mine is a party or represents a party, for a period of one year after I last provided service to that client, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

I have a deferred compensation plan with J.P. Morgan. As per plan policy, I will receive a lump sum distribution in July, 2018. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the ability or willingness of J.P Morgan to provide these contractual benefits, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1). I also have stock and restricted stock units in J.P. Morgan. I do not have restricted stock or stock options. As per plan policy, my restricted stock units will vest upon my termination and I will receive common stock as a result. I will divest my stock in J.P. Morgan within 90 days of my confirmation. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of this entity until I have divested it, unless I first obtain a written waiver,

pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2).

I resigned from my position with the Cross Relief Fund in May 2017. For a period of one year after my resignation, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know the Cross Relief Fund is a party or represents a party if I determine that a reasonable person with knowledge of the relevant facts would question my impartiality in that matter, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. part 2635, subpart E.

I will divest my interests in the following entities within 90 days of my confirmation: Conoco Phillips, Phillips 66, Chevron, Perma-Fix Environmental Services Inc., Brown ADV Japan Alpha Opportunity Fund, and iShares Income MSCI Japan Fund. With regard to each of these entities, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of the entity until I have divested it, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2).

I understand that I may be eligible to request a Certificate of Divestiture for qualifying assets and that a Certificate of Divestiture is effective only if obtained prior to divestiture. Regardless of whether I receive a Certificate of Divestiture, I will ensure that all divestitures discussed in this agreement occur within the agreed upon timeframes and that all proceeds are invested in non-conflicting assets.

If I have a managed account or otherwise use the services of an investment professional during my appointment, I will ensure that the account manager or investment professional obtains my prior approval on a case-by-case basis for the purchase of any assets other than cash, cash equivalents, investment funds that qualify for the exemption at 5 C.F.R. § 2640.201(a), obligations of the United States, or municipal bonds.

I will meet in person with you during the first week of my service in the position of Under Secretary for Science, Department of Energy, in order to complete the initial ethics briefing required under 5 C.F.R. § 2638.305. Within 90 days of my confirmation, I will document my compliance with this ethics agreement by notifying you in writing when I have completed the steps described in this ethics agreement.

I understand that as an appointee I am required to sign the Ethics Pledge (Exec. Order No. 13770) and that I will be bound by the requirements and restrictions therein in addition to the commitments I have made in this ethics agreement.

I have been advised that this ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. § 552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with ethics agreements of other Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.

Sincerely,

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