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Peter R. Marksteiner Clerk of the Court U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit 717 Madison Place, NW Washington, D.C. 20439

Re: Washington Federal v. United States, No. 20-2190

Dear Mr. Marksteiner:

We write in response to this Court's order of November 24, 2020, requiring the United States to explain why the material in Appellant's brief should be redacted pursuant to Fed. Cir. R. 25.1(d)(3)(A).

The materials redacted in Appellant's brief are protected under a protective order issued by the Court of Federal Claims in the underlying litigation. Counsel for the United States has consulted with counsel for the Treasury Department and counsel for Freddie Mac and has been authorized to state that the language redacted in Appellant's brief at pages 11, 12 and 13 may be disclosed in a non-confidential brief.

Sincerely,

/s/ Abby Wright
Abby Wright
Attorney for the United States

cc: Plaintiffs-Appellants (via CM/ECF)