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FOIA Disclosure Office
Employment Standards Administration
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20210-0002

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552, and on behalf of the United States Chamber of Commerce (the Chamber), we hereby request copies of the agency documents described below, to be used for commercial purposes. The term “agency” refers to the agency or department, its components, subcomponents, and/or any program or office that created, issued, maintains, or possesses the requested documents.

The documents requested include:

1. A copy of the report entitled “An Analysis of the Reasons for the Disparity in Wages Between Men and Women” prepared by the CONSAD Research Corporation with a forward by the U.S. Department of Labor, released on or about January 12, 2009. It is our understanding that an electronic copy of the report had been made available on the Department of Labor’s web site at: http://www.dol.gov/esa/ofccp/Gender_Wage_Gap_Final_Report.pdf.
2. Any writings, memoranda, letters, reports, email, or other written or electronic documents from the U.S. Department of Labor, or any of its subsidiary offices, issued between January 1, 2009, and the present that discuss or relate to the removal of the above report from the Labor Department’s web site or that discuss or relate to moving the report from the above link to another location on the Department’s web site.

Under current regulations and case law pertaining to the Freedom of Information Act, the Chamber believes these documents are available to us and to

other members of the public. If any portion of this request is denied, we request a detailed statement of the reasons for the withholding and an index or similar statement of the nature of the documents withheld.

To expedite this request, the Chamber is willing to discuss specific instances and/or other exemption claims in advance of a final decision by the agency. In the event of deletions, we request that a reason be stated for each partial denial of access. Further, please notify us of appeal procedures available under law.

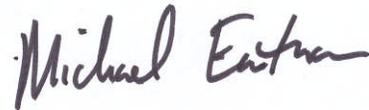
Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the Chamber agrees to pay reasonable charges incurred to search for and copy these documents, upon presentation of an invoice with the finished copies. If any such search and copying fees exceed \$250, please telephone either of us at (202)463-5522 for agreement to such charges.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



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