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The Honorable Betty McCollum
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,
and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
1016 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman McCollum:

This letter transmits the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service's response to the requirement in House Report 113-551, specifying that the Forest Service "provide the Committees on Appropriations with a report, detailing its work to eradicate and/or mitigate, this threat [of invasive forest pests]" within 60 days of enactment.

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Sincerely,

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Thomas J. Vilsack
Secretary

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The Honorable Tom Udall
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,
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Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
125 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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United States Senate
131 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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