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Re: Recent Action to Reclaim Tax Incentives

Dear Secretary Gorzkowicz and Secretary Paley:

Good day.

I write to you in your roles as Co-Chairs of the Board of the Massachusetts Life Sciences Center.

I was pleased to learn that the Massachusetts Life Sciences Center recently took the important step of holding businesses accountable for not meeting agreed-upon hiring levels which were tied to tax incentives. These tax incentives are public assets with great value to those businesses to which they are awarded. Therefore, the recent action to terminate awards for those that were not compliant is to be applauded.

As the Commonwealth's Inspector General, I believe it is important for the OIG to draw attention to both improper and proper actions taken by stakeholders under our oversight. While the OIG is most known for its investigations, I am particularly pleased when we have the opportunity to commend those individuals and entities (public and private) that act in the public intertest to protect public resources and assets from fraud, waste or abuse. As we all adapt to the evolving economy, this type of follow-up action should become increasingly more common.

Please accept my appreciation and please also share my gratitude with the members of the Massachusetts Life Science Center.

Thank you for the important work that you do on behalf of our Commonwealth.

Sincerely,

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