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Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-1705

December 13, 2007

The Honorable Pete Geren  
Secretary of the Army  
The Pentagon  
ROOM 3E560  
Washington DC 20310

Dear Secretary Geren:

It has come to my attention that there is minor confusion with regard to an identified project I sponsored in the FY08 Defense Appropriations Act (P.L. 110-116). To clarify, my intent for the UH-60 Leak Proof Transmission Drip Pans (pg. 91) is for these funds to be used for the installment of these drip pans on all UH-60 M Model Blackhawks beginning with First Unit Equipped for the 101<sup>st</sup> Division. This will eliminate unnecessary retrofitting and result in reduced maintenance requirements and cost-savings.

As the timeline for delivery of the M Model Blackhawk is rapidly approaching, I would appreciate your assistance in expediting this transfer of funds to the appropriate U.S. Army program office. Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me or Michael R. Higdon of my Washington DC staff at 202-225-4601.

Sincerely,

  
HAROLD ROGERS  
Member of Congress

Cc: John P. Murtha, Member of Congress  
C.W. Bill Young, Member of Congress

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
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1600 ARMY PENTAGON  
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December 28, 2007

The Honorable Harold Rogers  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515-1705

Dear Representative Rogers:

I am acknowledging receipt of your letter to the Honorable Pete Geren, Secretary of the Army, and confirming my telephone call to Mr. Michael Higdon of your staff, concerning funds for the installation of drip pans on all UH-60 M Model Blackhawks.

Inquiry into this matter has been initiated. You will be further advised as soon as information becomes available. If you have any questions about this inquiry, please feel free to contact me at (703) 697-8132 and refer to the following case number: 71213184.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Special Actions Branch  
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The Honorable Harold Rogers  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515


Dear Representative Rogers:

I have been asked to respond on behalf of Secretary of the Army Pete Geren concerning your letter about the installment of UH-60 Leak Proof Transmission Drip Pans, dated December 13, 2007. Your intent is for the funds to be used for the installment of these drip pans on all UH-60 M Model Blackhawks beginning with First Unit Equipped for the 101<sup>st</sup> Division.

Funds have been transferred to PEO Aviation. The Utility Helicopters Project Office (UHPO) will initiate the purchase of the Drip Pans from Phoenix Products Incorporated with an estimated completion date of early February. Upon receipt of the Drip Pans, UHPO will begin installation with 4/101 Fort Campbell, First Unit Equipped, and follow on with the remainder of UH-60 M Model fleet.

Your continued support is critical as we meet current operational requirements and prepare for future challenges. Now, more than ever, our Soldiers, Families and civilians are demonstrating their courage and commitment to serving our Nation. We are most grateful for your steadfast interest in providing them the best equipment, world class training and a quality of life equal to the quality of their service.

Sincerely,

  
KATHLEEN S. MILLER  
Director, Operations, Support  
Business Resources

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# Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515-1705

January 28, 2009

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The Honorable Pete Geren  
Secretary of the Army  
The Pentagon  
ROOM 3E560  
Washington, DC 20310

Dear Secretary Geren:

It has come to my attention that there is continued confusion with regard to an identified project I sponsored in the FY09 Defense Appropriations Act (P.L. 110-329). To clarify, my intent for the UH-60 Leak Proof Transmission Drip Pans (pg. 88) is for these funds and the resulting drip pans to be used for installment on all UH-60 M Model Blackhawks. This is consistent with direction offered last year for FY08 funds. Reprogramming these funds will eliminate unnecessary retrofitting and result in reduced maintenance requirements and cost-savings. Further, this will ensure new Blackhawks are properly operational to ensure our soldiers receive the best equipment possible.

I would appreciate your assistance in expediting this transfer of funds to the appropriate U.S. Army program office. Correspondingly, and in recognition that the maintenance and cost savings benefits are provided equally by the "A-L" version of the drip pan, I would appreciate an update on the Army's progress in making those pans available to the field, its plans for incorporating them into the A-L upgrade program, and if sufficient funds are in place. Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me or Victoria Luck of my Washington, DC staff at 202-225-4601.

Sincerely,

  
HAROLD ROGERS  
Member of Congress

Cc: C.W. Bill Young, Member of Congress

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF LEGISLATIVE LIAISON  
1600 ARMY PENTAGON  
WASHINGTON DC 20310-1600

January 30, 2009

The Honorable Harold Rogers  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515-1705

Dear Representative Rogers:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your January 28, 2009 letter to the Honorable Pete Geren, Secretary of the Army, concerning the installment of UH-60 Leak Proof Transmission Drip Pans on all UH-60M Blackhawk helicopters.

An inquiry into this matter has been initiated. You will be further advised as soon as information becomes available. If you have any questions about this inquiry, please contact me at (703) 697-4773 and refer to the following case number: 90114056.

Sincerely,

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WASHINGTON DC 20310

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The Honorable Harold Rogers  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Rogers:

I have been asked to respond on behalf of Secretary of the Army, Pete Geren, to your January 28, 2009, letter concerning leak proof drip pans for UH-60 Blackhawk series helicopters because I have responsibility for matters in this area.

The U.S. Army is in the process of transferring the \$2.0 million in funding for Fiscal Year 2009 UH-60 M Model leak proof transmission drip pans to the Utility Helicopters' Project Office for obligation. The transfer of funds should be completed within the next 30 days.

The effort to qualify the leak proof drip pan on the legacy UH-60 Blackhawk A/L model fleet is complete. The U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command's Integrated Materiel Management Center has awarded an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity contract to purchase these drip pans and any spares that are associated with them. The transmission leak proof drip pan is now listed in the Technical Manuals as an alternate supply item for unit requisitions. In addition, the transmission leak proof drip pan can be incorporated as part of the UH-60 A to L upgrade program with no significant impact to the current funding plan.

I appreciate your continued support of U.S. Army programs as well as your patriotism and service to the country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dean G. Popps".

Dean G. Popps  
Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army  
(Acquisition, Logistics and Technology)