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Dear Mr. Price:

Your letter of July 24, 1972, provided us with information indicating that Government grantees and contractors should be required to use the General Services Administration as a source of supply. We were requested to provide comments on this matter. 17

c2 The Committee on Government Operations, House of Representatives, now has under consideration a number of bills pertaining to Government procurement sources being made available to Federal grantees and contractors. Also the General Services Administration is considering changing the Federal Property Management Regulations to rescind the authorization for Federal grantees to use Federal supply sources, including excess personal property. H 1540

We advised the Chairman of the Committee, by letter, B-101646, August 16, 1972 (copy enclosed), that we strongly recommend that Federal grantees and contractors continue to have access to Federal sources of supply. We have notified the General Services Administration and the Office of Management and Budget that, in our opinion, the Federal Property Management Regulations should not be changed at this time.

We shall be pleased to meet with you or members of your staff if additional information is desired.

Sincerely yours,

Deputy Comptroller General  
of the United States

Enclosure

The Honorable Robert D. Price  
House of Representatives

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