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RE: Conti Enterprises, Inc. V. U.S.D.A. Natural Resources Conservation Service

AGBCA # 97-191-1

Dear Erich:

I want to thank you for your expert, and timely assistance in helping the Government defend against Conti Enterprises' \$6 million claim. Your expert analysis of Conti's' construction superintendent's work diary was the most important evidence in the Government's defense, and when confronted with your analysis, and other matters, Conti decided to drop its claim entirely.

Thank you for you patience, and a job well-done. I learned a great deal from talking with you, and consider your firm to be a resource to be drawn on in the future.

Sincerely,

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