UNITED STATES OF AMERICA MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD

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Appellant,

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF

The Office of Special Counsel (OSC) hereby notifies the Merit Systems Protection Board (Board) that it will seek leave to file an *amicus curiae* brief in the above-captioned matter. OSC understands that the above-captioned individual right of action (IRA) appeal has been certified for interlocutory review and seeks to offer its perspective on the important question of whether, based on the enactment of the provisions of the Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act¹ and its elimination of the *Willis*²-*Huffman*³ disclosure criteria, appellant has a right to pursue an IRA appeal. OSC intends to request leave to file an *amicus curiae* brief no later than January 25, 2013 and requests that the Board inform OSC if it intends to rule in this matter prior to January 25, 2013. OSC is not aware of any briefing schedule in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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^l Pub. L. No. 112-199.

² Willis v. Dep't of Agriculture, 141 F.3d 1139, 1144 (Fed. Cir. 1998).

³ Huffman v. Office of Personnel Management, 263 F.3d 1341 (Fed.Cir. 2001).

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Jason Zuckerman, an employee with the U.S. Office of Special Counsel, hereby certify that on this 10th day of January 2013, I caused the Notice of Intent to File Amicus Curiae Brief to be served to the following in the manner indicated:

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