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Dear Mr. Foster:

We are pleased to appoint you to serve on the Industry Trade Advisory Committee on Information and Communications Technologies, Services, and Electronic Commerce (ITAC 8) as a representative of Transaction Network Services, Inc., and U.S. industry. Your industry expertise is critical to the Secretary of Commerce and the United States Trade Representative in pursuing trade objectives that reflect the concerns and interests of the private sector. We appreciate your willingness to devote your time and effort to the work of our jointly administered Industry Trade Advisory Committees.

Your term will expire on February 17, 2010, with the termination of the Committee's current charter. Advisory committee charters are renewed every four years, at which time all members' appointments are considered for renewal.

We look forward to working with you in developing and implementing trade policies that serve your industry and the national interest.

Sincerely,

Rob Portman

United States Trade Representative

Carlos M. Gutierrez

Secretary of Commerce