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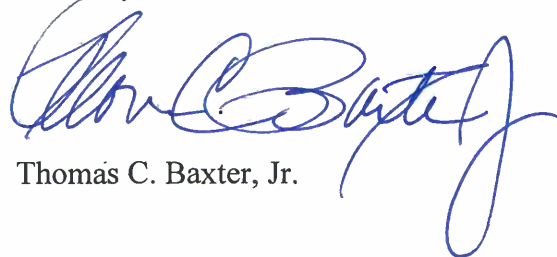
Dear Mr. Barofsky,

Re: Term Asset-Backed Securities Loan Facility ("TALF") in SIGTARP's Quarterly Report to Congress

The Federal Reserve appreciates the considerable efforts that you and your staff have made to understand the programs the Federal Reserve has sponsored and your careful description and analysis of them. We further appreciate your recommendations and the acknowledgment of the steps taken to strengthen the TALF and to protect the interests of the U.S. taxpayers. As we refine the design of an expanded TALF, we will continue to develop and enhance our risk management tools and processes.

We remain committed to advance the policy purpose of the TALF -- to make credit more readily available to U.S. consumers and businesses, a critical cornerstone for the recovery of the U.S. economy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tom C. Baxter, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Thomas C. Baxter, Jr.