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FROM THE DIRECTOR
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

We request your help in completing the enclosed 2011 Survey of Government Finances questionnaire. The survey results enable policymakers to understand the nature, scale, and trends of the governmental sector in the United States—an economic sector that is far more important at the local, state, and national level than is generally understood.

Your participation is vital to the continued success of this effort. Please assist us by using one of the following options:

- **Mail**—Complete the enclosed form with information from your financial records and return it in the envelope provided, **within three weeks**, if possible.
- **Internet**—Respond directly over the Internet, as described in the enclosed flyer.
- **Call**—Contact us at 1 (888) 590-2748 if you have any questions or comments.

Please retain a copy of your reply for your records.

We conduct this voluntary survey as authorized by Title 13, Section 161, of the United States Code. Prompt and accurate reporting will save resources and prevent further follow-up efforts. The U.S. Census Bureau appreciates your participation.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures