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MEMORANDUM

TO: COLLINS & COMPANY CUSTOMERS
FROM: COLLINS & COMPANY
SUBJECT: C&C APPROPRIATIONS UPDATE
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“THAT’S A HUGE STEP FOR THE SENATE.” -House Majority Leader Tom DeLay (R-TX) on the Senate Appropriations Committee’s restructuring.

“HE LED. HE GOT IT DONE.” -Senator Mike DeWine (R-OH) on Appropriations Chairman Senator Thad Cochran’s (R-MS) successful committee reorganization.

On Wednesday, March 2nd, Senator Thad Cochran, the Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, persuaded his GOP colleagues to accept a plan for the reorganization of the Committee so that it is more in line with the massive restructuring done earlier this year by the House Appropriations Committee.

As you will recall, the House eliminated three committees (Legislative Branch, VA-HUD and the District of Columbia) and redistributed jurisdictions among the remaining committees. The Senate did not echo the House plan, but its restructuring was done with an eye on the House organization.

In disbanding the VA-HUD Subcommittee, Senate appropriators shifted its housing jurisdiction to a reconfigured Transportation, Treasury, the Judiciary and Housing and Urban Development Subcommittee, which will also take the federal judiciary from the new Commerce-Justice-Science panel. Sen. Christopher S. Bond (R-MO), who had chaired the VA-HUD subcommittee, will take the helm of the transportation panel.

Funding for the State Department will be shifted to the Foreign Operations Subcommittee, now renamed the State and Foreign Operations Subcommittee. This move has been long advocated by Chairman Mitch McConnell (R-KY). However, this move was not part of the House reorganization, which left State Department funding in the Science, State, Justice and Commerce Subcommittee.

Finally, veterans’ programs were combined with the existing Military Construction Subcommittee, which is chaired by Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX). The Senate, unlike the House, did not change the jurisdiction of its Defense Subcommittee. The programs and accounts

funded in the Agriculture, District of Columbia, Homeland Security, and Legislative Branch have also not changed.

Other changes to the Senate Appropriations Committee structure include:

- Commerce, Justice, and Science – gains NASA, NSF, the Office of Science and Technology Policy; loses Judiciary
- Energy and Water – gains energy related accounts from Interior
- Interior – gains EPA and related accounts from VA-HUD
- Labor, HHS and Education – gains Corporation for National and Community Service from VA-HUD
- Military Construction and Veterans Affairs – gains American Battle Monuments Commission; Cemeterial Expenses, Army (Arlington National Cemetery); Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims; Selective Service Commission
- Transportation, Treasury, the Judiciary and HUD –gains Judiciary from Commerce-Justice-State

In order to ensure acceptance of his proposal, Senator Cochran offered to relinquish the gavel of the Homeland Security Subcommittee to ensure that no other “cardinal” would lose a subcommittee chairmanship. This action caused some musical chairs among Senate Cardinals. Senator Judd Gregg (R-NH) will take over the chairmanship of the Homeland Security Subcommittee. As previously mentioned, Senator Bond took the gavel of the Transportation, Treasury, the Judiciary and HUD Subcommittee. Senator Richard Shelby (R-AL) will chair the revamped Commerce, Justice and Science Subcommittee and Senator Sam Brownback (R-KS) will take the open gavel of the Legislative Branch Subcommittee.

Below is a listing of the memberships of the various Senate Appropriations Subcommittees.

As always, we will continue to update you throughout the Appropriations process.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES

Republicans (8)

Robert F. Bennett, Utah - *chairman*
Thad Cochran, Miss.
Arlen Specter, Pa.
Christopher S. Bond, Mo.
Mitch McConnell, Ky.
Conrad Burns, Mont.
Larry E. Craig, Idaho
Sam Brownback, Kan.

Democrats (7)

Herb Kohl, Wis. - *ranking member*
Tom Harkin, Iowa
Byron L. Dorgan, N.D.
Dianne Feinstein, Calif.
Richard J. Durbin, Ill.
Tim Johnson, S.D.
Mary L. Landrieu, La.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, JUSTICE, AND SCIENCE

Republicans (7)

Richard C. Shelby, Ala. - *chairman*
Judd Gregg, N.H.
Ted Stevens, Alaska
Pete V. Domenici, N.M.
Mitch McConnell, Ky.
Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas
Sam Brownback, Kan.

Democrats (5)

Daniel K. Inouye, Hawaii
Barbara A. Mikulski, Md.
Patrick J. Leahy, Vt.
Herb Kohl, Wis.
Patty Murray, Wash.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON DEFENSE

Republicans (10)

Ted Stevens, Alaska - *chairman*
Thad Cochran, Miss.
Arlen Specter, Pa.
Pete V. Domenici, N.M.
Christopher S. Bond, Mo.
Mitch McConnell, Ky.
Richard C. Shelby, Ala.
Judd Gregg, N.H.
Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas
Conrad Burns, Mont.

Democrats (8)

Daniel K. Inouye, Hawaii - *ranking member*
Robert C. Byrd, W.Va.
Patrick J. Leahy, Vt.
Tom Harkin, Iowa
Byron L. Dorgan, N.D.
Richard J. Durbin, Ill.
Harry Reid, Nev.
Dianne Feinstein, Calif.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Republicans (3)

Mike DeWine, Ohio - *chairman*
Sam Brownback, Kan.
Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas

Democrats (2)

Mary L. Landrieu, La. - *ranking member*
Richard J. Durbin, Ill.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

Republicans (7)

Pete V. Domenici, N.M. - *chairman*
Thad Cochran, Miss.
Mitch McConnell, Ky.
Robert F. Bennett, Utah
Conrad Burns, Mont.
Larry E. Craig, Idaho
Christopher S. Bond, Mo.

Democrats (5)

Harry Reid, Nev. - *ranking member*
Robert C. Byrd, W.Va.
Patty Murray, Wash.
Byron L. Dorgan, N.D.
Dianne Feinstein, Calif.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY

Republicans (8)

Judd Gregg, N.H. - *chairman*
Thad Cochran, Miss.
Ted Stevens, Alaska
Arlen Specter, Pa.
Pete V. Domenici, N.M.
Mitch McConnell, Ky.
Richard C. Shelby, Ala.
Larry E. Craig, Idaho

Democrats (7)

Robert C. Byrd, W.Va. - *ranking member*
Daniel K. Inouye, Hawaii
Patrick J. Leahy, Vt.
Tom Harkin, Iowa
Barbara A. Mikulski, Md.
Herb Kohl, Wis.
Patty Murray, Wash.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES

Republicans (7)

Conrad Burns, Mont. - *chairman*
Ted Stevens, Alaska
Thad Cochran, Miss.
Pete V. Domenici, N.M.
Robert F. Bennett, Utah
Judd Gregg, N.H.
Sam Brownback, Kan.

Democrats (6)

Byron L. Dorgan, N.D. - *ranking member*
Robert C. Byrd, W.Va.
Patrick J. Leahy, Vt.
Harry Reid, Nev.
Dianne Feinstein, Calif.
Barbara A. Mikulski, Md.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND EDUCATION
AND RELATED AGENCIES

Republicans (8)

Arlen Specter, Pa. - *chairman*
Thad Cochran, Miss.
Judd Gregg, N.H.
Larry E. Craig, Idaho
Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas
Ted Stevens, Alaska
Mike DeWine, Ohio
Richard C. Shelby, Ala.

Democrats (6)

Tom Harkin, Iowa - *ranking member*
Daniel K. Inouye, Hawaii
Harry Reid, Nev.
Herb Kohl, Wis.
Patty Murray, Wash.
Mary L. Landrieu, La.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Republicans (3)

Sam Brownback, Kan. - *chairman*
Robert F. Bennett, Utah
Ted Stevens, Alaska

Democrats (2)

Richard J. Durbin, Ill. - *ranking member*
Tim Johnson, S.D.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Republicans (5)

Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas - *chairwoman*
Conrad Burns, Mont.
Larry E. Craig, Idaho
Mike DeWine, Ohio
Sam Brownback, Kan.

Democrats (4)

Dianne Feinstein, Calif. - *ranking member*
Daniel K. Inouye, Hawaii
Tim Johnson, S.D.
Mary L. Landrieu, La.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS

Republicans (7)

Mitch McConnell, Ky. - *chairman*
Arlen Specter, Pa.
Judd Gregg, N.H.
Richard C. Shelby, Ala.
Robert F. Bennett, Utah
Christopher S. Bond, Mo.
Mike DeWine, Ohio

Democrats (7)

Patrick J. Leahy, Vt. - *ranking member*
Daniel K. Inouye, Hawaii
Tom Harkin, Iowa
Barbara A. Mikulski, Md.
Richard J. Durbin, Ill.
Tim Johnson, S.D.
Mary L. Landrieu, La.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, TREASURY, THE JUDICIARY, AND
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Republicans (7)

Christopher S. Bond, Mo. - *chairman*
Richard C. Shelby, Ala.
Arlen Specter, Pa.
Robert F. Bennett, Utah
Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas
Mike DeWine, Ohio
Sam Brownback, Kan.

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