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November 5, 2013

Mr. Daniel Werfel
Acting Commissioner
Internal Revenue Service
1111 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20224

Dear Mr. Werfel,

I request that the IRS immediately make available to the Committee all information to date regarding the number of individuals the IRS has made a preliminary or final determination of eligibility for premium tax credits. This information is vital to understanding the policy problems associated with the Affordable Care Act as well as to provide policy makers with the information necessary to take any corrective action.

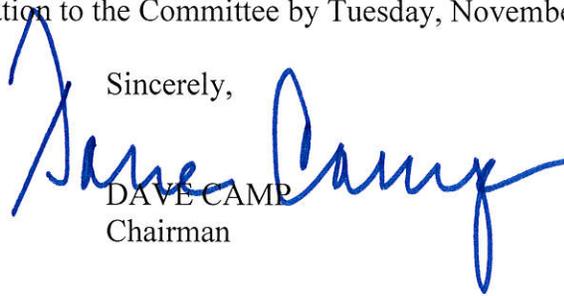
Millions of Americans are receiving notice that their health insurance policy has been cancelled, and yet the Administration has failed to create and implement viable Exchanges where Americans can enroll in affordable coverage. Furthermore, the failure to sign up enough people, especially young Americans, will lead to an even greater increase in premiums – pushing health care out-of-the reach for millions of Americans and shifting even higher costs onto those who already have health insurance through their job. All of this contributes to the fact that America faces the very real possibility that starting January 1, many Americans will not have had the ability to enroll in a health insurance plan through the Exchange and will experience a gap in coverage.

In a November 5 speech to the AICPA Tax Conference you stated, “Our ACA tools are working as planned,” and said the agency received 1.3 million requests from state and federal insurance marketplaces and has acted on more than 300,000 requests to determine eligibility for the premium tax credits. While these statistics demonstrate that you have data, they do not provide relevant metrics that would help policy makers determine the extent of the problems facing the health care system. To assist the Committee in our oversight of the implementation of the Affordable Care Act, please provide the Committee with:

1. The number of Exchange applicants, by State of residence, the IRS has reviewed and determined, based on their income, are eligible to receive premium tax credits towards the purchase of a health plan.
2. The number of Exchange applicants, by State of residence, the IRS has reviewed and determined that their income is below the threshold that would make them eligible for premium tax credits.
3. The number of Exchange applicants, by State of residence, the IRS has reviewed and determined that their income is above the threshold that would make them eligible for premium tax credits.
4. The average age, by State of residence, of the Exchange applicants for which the IRS has been asked to make an eligibility determination.

Please provide this information to the Committee by Tuesday, November 12, 2013.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dave Camp", is written over the typed name and title.

DAVE CAMP
Chairman