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U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-350,  
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RE: Proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) for the Worker Classification Survey  
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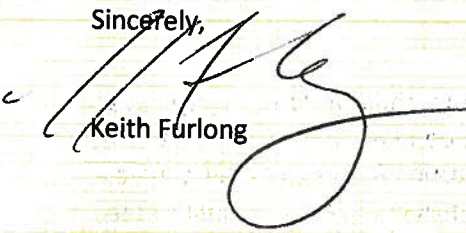
I am writing in regard to the Proposed Information Collection Request for the Worker Classification Survey.

For more than 6 years, Gateway Media, LLC has successfully worked with independent contractors to help fulfill our customer obligations and achieve our business goals. Over the past few years, we have watched with increasing concern as state and federal agencies try to prohibit companies such as mine from working with independent contractors, or force companies to reclassify independent contractors as salaried employees without regard to the impact on economic viability.

Many businesses, both large and small, contract with well-managed and successful small businesses to provide public relations and government advocate services that deliver the results consumers have come to expect. At Gateway Media, we take this approach because it makes sense. I pay my fair share of taxes, and also comply with federal, state and local requirements aimed at ensuring fair and ethical practices.

The Department of Labor should do everything it can to protect small independent businesses, especially as professionals move to ownership of small companies to control their own destiny in the workforce. The proposed DOL study will do just the opposite. Please support small business like mine.

Sincerely,

  
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