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Subject: Comment: opposed to proposed Bulletin

Dear OMB Director Bolten,

I am writing to request that the OMB withdraw the proposed peer review Bulletin. It is my belief that this unclear and ill-conceived bulletin would add additional delays and costs to our governmental and regulatory systems. In addition, it could worsen the quality of science used in decision-making, rather than increase it, by excluding many of the most qualified scientists from review panels. The process called for in this bulletin is unnecessary and is probably unworkable. As a university biologist, I strongly recommend that you discard it.

I regret that I do not have more time to expand on the many problems with the bulletin, but I trust that others have made these clear.

Sincerely,  
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