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I oppose OGE's proposed legal expense fund regulation as drafted. OGE should:
1. Remove the exception that makes compliance with regulation optional;
2. Replace the proposed recusele requirement with a broader five year recrusal requirement that prevents donors of cash gifts from influencing decisions, policies, or regulations affecting them or the industries in which they have substantial interests;
3. Remove the offensive example involving an accused sexual harasser; &
4. Place nonprofit charities (501(c)(3) organizations) on an equal footing with large law firms by allowing them to hire legal counsel for whistleblowers.

The proposed rule as is, is an insult to democracy and the American people.

Sent from my iPhone
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