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Ms Sarah B. Nuckles  
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Dear Sarah:

Enclosed is a copy of five reports by Paul Townes published yesterday by *The Nerve*. I had not seen them before. I have seen their substance before.

These indicate that Paul was doing good work at least by March 2011.

These and the efforts of members of the Commission and the General Assembly to depreciate and limit his work evince that he deserves a prompt widely publicized crown of gold stars from the State. Surely no less than appointment by the Governor to the Order of the Palmetto.

And you deserve no less for having encouraged him from the beginning.

In the environment in which he works it requires a large measure of altruism, unselfishness, and bravery to aggressively stir up trouble for the politicians and bureaucrat's intent on preserving our banana republic. Internal auditing is a noble profession.

Yours very truly:



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