October 19, 2018

General Electric
Attn: General Counsel's Office
41 Farnsworth Street
Boston, MA 02210

Dear General Counsel of General Electric:

The Project On Government Oversight (POGO) is creating a Department of Defense Revolving Door Database on its website (pogo.org), which compiles information from public resources regarding former senior Department of Defense officials and military officers who went on to work for government contractors, including General Electric, from 2008 to the present. The database is an attempt to track individuals when they leave the Department of Defense, and inclusion in the database doesn't represent anything illegal or a violation of ethics rules. I have enclosed the findings relevant to General Electric and am requesting verification or refutation of the data from you.

Any response would be greatly appreciated, as the accuracy of this information is in the best interest of all parties. When a precise start date was not publicly available POGO chose the first day of the month the employee said they began working for General Electric. POGO is also interested in any related ethics opinions issued for current or former General Electric personnel in compliance with the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, Public Law 110-181, Sec. 847 and certifications of compliance as required by Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) subpart 252.203-7005; 41 U.S.C. § 2105(c). Out of fairness to General Electric, please be assured that any response received by POGO will be posted on the website along with the data if you so choose.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (202) 347-1122 or msmithberger@pogo.org. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mandy Smithberger
Director, Center for Defense Information

Enclosure

Revolving Door Instances

1. Individual: Dr. Katherine A. Stevens
   Approximate Date Joined General Electric: January 1, 2013
   Synopsis: Dr. Katherine A. Stevens was the Director, Materials and Manufacturing Directorate, Air Force Research Laboratory at Wright-Patterson Air Force base in Ohio. In that position she oversaw an annual budget of more than $450 million to support Air Force acquisition and sustainment. According to her Linkedin profile she left in 2013 to become a general manager for General Electric (GE) Aviation. According to an official biography in her new role she manages the development of new materials and processes for commercial and military aircraft.
   Documents to Include:
   http://www.af.mil/About-Us/Biographies/Display/Article/108475/dr-katherine-a-stevens/
   https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/4572510-Katherine-Stevens-LinkedIn-6-6-18.html
   http://homepages.uc.edu/~shahnn/WiPaB_files/GE%20Panel%20Discussion%20Brochure-18April2016.pdf
   https://www.fpds.gov/fpdsng_cms/index.php/en/reports.html
2. Individual: Lieutenant General Salvatore A. "Sam" Angelella (USAF Ret.)
   Approximate Date Joined General Electric: August 1, 2015
   Synopsis: Lieutenant General Salvatore A. "Sam" Angelella was the Commander, U.S. Forces Japan, and Commander, 5th Air Force, Pacific Air Forces, Yokota Air Base, Japan, retiring in August 2015. He became the Vice President, Military Customer Programs for General Electric in September 2015. According to General Electric's official press release, Angelella "will be responsible for GE's engagement with all entities of the United States military, including: the Department of Defense, U.S. Services leadership in the Pentagon, Joint Staff, all Major Commands and Combatant Commands."
   Documents to Include:
   http://www.af.mil/About-Us/Biographies/Display/Article/107932/lieutenant-general-salvatore-a-sam-angelella/
   https://www.geaviation.com/press-release/military-engines/sam-angelella-lead-ge-aviation%E2%80%99s-military-customer-programs