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I spoke with Jennifer Rouse, of the House Appropriations Treasury, Postal Subcommittee staff, (225-5834, today regarding the status of our extension. It was a very positive conversation. She advised me of the following:1. She is fully anticipating that funding for the Board extension will be in the Subcommittee Chairman's bill. Although she has not gotten to discuss the specific language with Mrdeza, Jennifer anticipates that they will put the necessary additional authorization language in the Chairman's bill to take care of both the authorization and the appropriation, all in this appropriation bill. There is no date for the mark-up of the bill yet. 2. Unofficially, the Committee staff has been advised that Congressman Istook will not oppose the Review Board extension. According to Rouse, that was the only potential hurdle we faced from their perspective.3. In response to my advising her that Burton and Waxman may be introducing an authorization bill for the Board's extension this week, Rouse said that was fine. She had not heard from Burton's staff.4. By early next week, Mrdeza wants me to give them a "grand total," that is one number on what the shutdown costs will be for the Board. According to Rouse, Mrdeza wants to put that number in the bill. In addition, Michelle wants to state in the bill that this is the last year for the Board. Like the Administration, apparently, Mrdeza wants it to be clear, and part of the law, that this will be the last year for the Board. I will talk to you and Tracy about the shutdown number.  
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