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Rosemary Jenks
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Dear Ms. Jenks:

Thank you for testifying at the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections hearing on "E-Verify: Ensuring Lawful Employment in America," held on November 19, 2025. I appreciate your participation.

Enclosed are additional questions submitted by a Committee member following the hearing. Please provide written responses no later than January 26, 2026, for inclusion in the hearing record. Responses should be sent to Kane Riddell of the Committee staff, who may be contacted at (202) 226-3873.

Thank you again for your contribution to the work of the Committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan Mackenzie".

Ryan Mackenzie
Chairman
Subcommittee on Workforce Protections

**Questions for the Record from
REPRESENTATIVE GLENN GROTHMAN**

**Committee on Education and Workforce
Workforce Protections Subcommittee hearing titled “E-Verify: Ensuring Lawful
Employment in America”**

**Wednesday, November 19, 2025
10:15 A.M.**

**Question(s) for Rosemary Jenks, Co-Founder and Policy Director, Immigration and
Accountability Project**

1. In your written testimony, you emphasize that E-Verify is a critical tool for deterring illegal immigration to the United States. Could you explain in more detail why E-Verify is such an important component of United States immigration policy and how it strengthens the integrity of our legal workforce?
2. Your written testimony also notes that cartels earn billions of dollars each year smuggling individuals into the United States by promising that they will easily find work once they arrive. You argue that cutting off access to illegal employment is one of the most effective ways to reduce the cartels' influence and financial power. How would a mandatory nationwide E-Verify system reduce the incentive to cross the border illegally and weaken the cartels that profit from human smuggling?
3. Recent public reports involving ICE worksite enforcement actions have unfortunately confirmed that some companies in this country continue to hire illegal immigrants and foreign workers whom they know, or should know, do not have legal work authorization. Companies that engage in this practice undermine American workers by depressing wages and displacing lawful employees. These employers also shift labor costs onto the American taxpayer, because many of the off the books workers they hire end up on Medicaid or other public assistance programs. Would a mandatory E-Verify requirement help correct this problem by ensuring that employers cannot knowingly or negligently hire illegal workers, and would it help restore a level playing field for American workers and responsible employers?