

MEMORANDUM

To: Media
FR: The Communications Office of Senate Finance Committee Ranking Member Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) and House Ways and Means Chairman Dave Camp (R-Mich.)
RE: Treasury Response to Hatch-Camp letter on Union Plans

This evening, in response to a letter sent earlier this week by House Ways and Means Chairman Camp and Senate Finance Committee Ranking Member Hatch, the Obama administration denied labor's request for a health care waiver. The initial letter dated September 10 can be found [here](http://waysandmeans.house.gov/uploadedfiles/91013_hatch_camp_letter_to_sec_lew.pdf). (http://waysandmeans.house.gov/uploadedfiles/91013_hatch_camp_letter_to_sec_lew.pdf) The response is attached.

In response, spokespersons from Ranking Member Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) and Way and Means Chairman Dave Camp (R-Mich.) made the following joint statement:

“There has been far too much special treatment for politically-favored friends of ObamaCare. But when it comes to employers and taxpayers picking up the health care tab for labor unions – it appears that is a price that is simply too high. Perhaps even this Administration recognizes that there are limits to them stretching the law to reward their friends.”