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FOIA Coordinator
Office of Workers' Compensation Programs
U. S. Department of Labor - OWCP
Room S-3524
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

Via email to: OWCP-FOIA@dol.gov

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear FOIA Coordinator:

I am hereby requesting copies of the following records under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(2):

- (1) All existing contracts or agreements between the Department's Office of Worker's Compensation Programs and the United Mine Workers of America and/or the UMWA's Benefit Funds, including all memoranda of understanding regarding reimbursements;
- (2) All requests for reimbursement sent to the Office of Workers Compensation Programs by the United Mine Workers of America or its Benefit Funds under the Black Lung program for the period January 1, 2010 through the present;
- (3) Any documents regarding OWCP audits and approvals of UMWA submissions for reimbursement under the Black Lung Program for the period January 1, 2010 through the present; and
- (4) All correspondence from the UMWA or its benefit funds to Director of Coal Mine Workers' Compensation Steven D. Breeskin for the period January 1, 2010 through the present.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(A), please advise my counsel, whose information is

listed below, within 20 days whether you will comply with this request and provide the documents.

I work for Americans for Limited Government, but am not seeking this information for any commercial use. Disclosure of such information is in the public interest as it would likely contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government. I therefore request that any fees associated with this request be waived in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(4)(A)(iii), or at least be limited in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(ii)(II). I would also request that if you deny the fee waiver, that I be notified in advance.

To the extent that you deny any part of this request, please cite specific exemptions to FOIA that you believe justifies your denial. In addition, for any documents withheld by the agency, please provide a description containing the information that would be required by *Vaughn v. Rosen*, 484 F.2d 820 (D.C. Cir. 1973), cert. denied, 415 U.S. 977 (1974). If you have any questions about these requests, please contact my counsel, Nathan Paul Mehrens, at (703) 383-0880 or nathan@getliberty.org.

Please send the requested records to the following address:

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Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,



William Wilson
President