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Re: FOIA Tracking No. FY10-016

Dear Mr. Mehrens:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request dated October 26, 2009. Please find enclosed 86 documents located in the files of the Office of Legal Counsel responsive to your request. Many of these documents contain redactions pursuant to FOIA Exemption Five, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), because they include information protected by the deliberative process privilege, or Exemption Six, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), because release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. We have indicated on each page bearing redactions the basis for the redaction. In addition to these documents, an additional 60 responsive documents were located that have been withheld in full, also pursuant to Exemption Five and/or Exemption Six. Eight documents have been referred to the Department of Justice's Office of Information Policy ("OIP"). OIP will respond to you directly concerning those documents.

You have the right to file an administrative appeal. You must submit any administrative appeal within 60 days of the date of this letter by mail to the Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, 1425 New York Avenue, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530, or by e-mail at DOJ.OIP.AdministrativeAppeal@usdoj.gov. Both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul P. Colborn".

Paul P. Colborn
Special Counsel

Enclosures