



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

September 30, 2011

Mr. William Wilson  
President  
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Fairfax, VA 22031

Dear Mr. Wilson:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request you made to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) dated August 12, 2010, which was received on August 13, 2010. Your request sought documents that concern various communications regarding proposed, suggested, or requested Executive Orders, certain enacted Executive Orders, or Federal preemption.

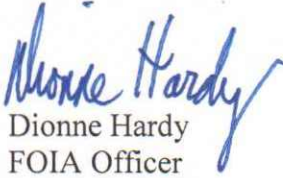
As was discussed during the phone conversation that Nathan Paul Mehrens, of your office, had with Thomas Hitter of OMB on May 16, 2011, given the breadth of this request, conducting a search for documents, and conducting a review of the identified documents to determine which materials are exempt from mandatory disclosure, would likely be very time-consuming and burdensome. As was also discussed, it is highly likely that communications between personnel within the Executive Branch are exempt from mandatory disclosure under FOIA. In light of these factors, during that conversation we proposed that the request could be narrowed to only seek communications between OMB and the organizations identified in your request. Mr. Mehrens informed us that your office would consider that request and let us know your determination. While we have not heard from your office since May 16, we have searched for and processed records pursuant to the narrowed request, in order to provide you with a response as expeditiously as possible.

OMB has now completed this search and is providing you 369 pages in part, with redactions made pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). The portions withheld pursuant to Exemption 6 consist of certain contact information, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties.

This is my personal decision, for which you may file an administrative appeal in accordance with OMB's FOIA regulations, at 5 C.F.R. § 1303.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (202) 395-3642.

Sincerely,

  
Dionne Hardy  
FOIA Officer

Enclosures