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Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

August 7, 2015

Mr. Stephen Schwartz
Cause of Action
1919 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Suite 650
Washington, DC 20006

Re: HQ-2015-01689-F

Dear Mr. Bogardus:

This is an interim response to the request for information that you sent to the Department of Energy (DOE) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. You requested the following:

1. All travel records of Secretary of Energy Ernest Moniz related to travel (a) on Air Force One, (b) with the President or Vice President, or (c) to or from meetings with the President or Vice President outside of Washington, D.C., from January 1, 2014 to the present.
2. All work calendars of Secretary of Energy Ernest Moniz related to meetings that (a) occurred at the White House or (b) included representatives of the Executive Office of the President, from January 1, 2014 to the present.
3. All records of correspondence received by the Office of the Secretary or the Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs from (a) Senator Barack Obama, or any member of Senator Obama's congressional staff, or (b) Senator Joseph Biden, or any member of Senator Biden's congressional staff, from January 3, 2005 to November 3, 2008.

I have assigned your request to DOE's Office of the Executive Secretariat (ES) and Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Affairs (CI) to conduct a search of their files for responsive documents. Upon completion of the search and review of any records located, you will be provided a response.

For purposes of assessment of any fees, you have been categorized under the DOE regulation that implements the FOIA at Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 1004.9(b)(3), as a "news media" requestor. Requestors in this category are charged fees for duplication only and are provided 100 pages at no cost. On August 6, 2015, you sent an e-mail to Ms. Yordanos Woldai, of this office, and agreed to pay duplication costs associated with the processing of your request.

Please refer to the above referenced number in any communications with the DOE about the



request. If you have questions about the processing of the request or this letter, please contact Ms. Yordanos Woldai in this office at MA-90/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, or (202) 287-6686.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex C. Morris", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Alexander C. Morris
FOIA Officer
Office of Information Resources