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From: "Bodell, Ethan G" < Ethan.G.Bodell@hud.gov **Date:** October 6, 2015 at 9:50:52 AM EDT To: Daniel Epstein < daniel.epstein@causeofaction.org> Subject: FOIA Request 15-FI-HQ-01726

Mr. Epstein,

I wanted to provide you a brief update on the status of your FOIA request. Because you asked for various types of communications between the Department of Housing & Urban Development and other outside parties, some of which may be in the form of emails, we have submitted an e-discovery request. As an alternative to searching for hard-copy documents or records contained in traditional computer file databases, an e-discovery request allows the agency to search for various terms, senders/recipients, and date ranges in email message form. This process is conducted by an outside party, and depending on the search parameters and timeframe can take some time to fulfill. This request was submitted on August 7, 2015, and is still in progress. We apologize for the delay in processing your request, but want you to know where we are in the search. As soon as this information comes back, we will finalize any responsive records and send them out to you immediately.

Thank you for your interest in the Department's programs and policies.

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