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FOIA Request: EPA-HQ-2018-002171

This email is to update you on the status of your request submitted November 30, 2017 and assigned to the Office of Administration and Resources Management (OARM). I apologize that we were unable to meet the estimated due date in FOIA OnLine and for the delay in notifying you. OARM is processing requests in the order submitted as well as on a multi-track system to process complex and simple request types concurrently. Due to the volume of records requiring review and redaction as well as multi office coordination, this request is considered complex and necessitates more time to complete. OARM is processing multiple complex requests in the order of their submission dates. The division in OARM with responsive records has 18 pending requests and Request EPA-HQ-2018-002171 is 5th in the queue. The estimated production date for this request is July 31st, 2018, but I am very hopeful it will be completed prior to that date.

As you may be aware, there has been a substantial increase in the volume and complexity of FOIA requests received by federal agencies. Please rest assured that OARM, and EPA as a whole, has been trying to diligently process all of its requests. We sincerely apologize if there has been any inconvenience. If it is possible for us to do so, we will provide you with interim releases as they become available. Please contact me at sandfoss.kristina@epa.gov or 202-564-7177 with any questions or if you desire to narrow your request.

Additionally, you may seek assistance from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email: ogis@nara.gov; telephone: (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax: (202) 741-5769.

Thank you for your continued interest in the EPA and have a wonderful weekend!

Kristina

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