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Dear Mr. Tobias:

On May 17, 2018, you filed (3) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests seeking the following:

## First FOI Request: OS-2018-01172

[A]ll documents (including correspondence, travel itineraries, as well as hotel, airfare and meal receipts) related to DOI appointee Katharine MacGregor's trip to Jackson Hole, Wyoming to attend the National Ocean Industries Association's annual meeting on October 3 through October 6, 2017.

## Second FOIA Request: OS-2018-01173

[A]l written or electronic correspondence, including attachments, between DOI appointee Katharine MacGregor (or her executive assistant Michael Anderson) and any outside email address that contains the the following: @bkstrategies.com

## Third FOIA Request: OS-2018-01174

[A]ll written or electronic communications, including attachments, sent or received by DOI appointee Katharine MacGregor and/or her immediate executive staff, including Michael Anderson, that include one or more of the following words or phrases "Mountain Valley Pipeline", "Mountain Valley" and/or "MVP". This request seeks documents produced between May 1, 2017 and the date this request is processed.

Your requests were received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on May 17, 2018, and assigned the above-reference control numbers. **OS-2018-01172; OS-2018-01173; and OS-2018-01174**. Please cite this numbers in any future communications with our office regarding your requests.

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You can expect to hear from us promptly regarding the outcome of this search.

You have asked for copies of agency records. According to our regulations, you may choose the format of disclosure for such records. Unless you specify otherwise, the Office of the Secretary will provide copies of responsive records electronically via email or CD-ROM as scanned PDF images when the responsive records exceed 50 pages.

Because we will need to search for and collect requested records from field facilities or other establishments that are separate from the office processing the request, we are taking a 10-workday extension under 43 C.F.R. § 2.19. For the same reason, we are placing your request under the "Complex" processing track. *See* 43 C.F.R. § 2.15.

If you have any questions regarding the status of your requests, or any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at (202) 513-0765, by fax at (202) 219-2374, by e-mail at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka, at the phone and address above.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer