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Washington, DC 20240

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March 25, 2019

Via email: [7069-47797148@requests.muckrock.com](mailto:7069-47797148@requests.muckrock.com)

Jimmy Tobias  
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Somerville, MA 02144

Dear Mr. Tobias:

On March 22, 2019, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Any electronic communications, including attachments, sent or received by Daniel Jorjani, David Bernhardt, Katharine MacGregor, Joe Balash, Heather Swift, Faith Vander Voort, Douglas Domenech, Timothy Williams, Susan Combs, Benjamin Cassidy and/or Rachel Spector that contain one or more of the following names or words: Tobias, Guardian and/or Pacific Standard. This request seeks records produced between April 1, 2018, and the date this request is processed.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on March 22, 2019, and assigned control number **OS-2019-00615**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

We have classified your request as a “media use request.” As a “media use requester” you will not be charged for our search or review costs and are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. See [43 C.F.R. § 2.39](#). As a matter of policy, however, the Department of the Interior does not bill requesters for FOIA fees incurred in processing requests when their fees do not exceed \$50.00 because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See [43 C.F.R. § 2.49\(a\)\(1\)](#).

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

Because we will need to consult with one or more bureaus of the Department in order to properly process your request, the Office of the Secretary FOIA office is taking a 10-workday extension

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under [43 C.F.R. § 2.19](#). For the same reason, we are placing your request under the “Normal” processing track. See [43 C.F.R. § 2.15](#).

In the interim, if you have any questions regarding the status of your request, 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](mailto: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.

Sincerely,

**CLARICE JULKA** Digitally signed by CLARICE JULKA  
Date: 2019.03.25 11:06:45 -04'00'

Clarice Julka  
Office of the Secretary  
FOIA Officer