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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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RE: March 25, 2016 Public Records Act Request

Dear Mr. Horner:

I write to confirm your clarification and modification of your March 25, 2016, Public Records Act request from our call yesterday. As you explained, the request arose from statements made by various state attorneys generals at a recent conference of state attorneys general relating to pursuing RICO investigations against "climate deniers." You also explained that, while the California Attorney General did not attend that conference, she is part of a group of state attorneys general who are investigating ExxonMobile based on its statements about climate change. You therefore seek electronic correspondence relating to RICO investigations on "climate deniers." Furthermore, you have agreed to narrow the scope of your Public Records Act requests to individuals in the Executive Unit of the Attorney General's Office (including the Attorney General herself).

Based on our call yesterday, I will search for electronic correspondence between members of the Executive Unit of the Attorney General's Office and individuals or entities outside of the Attorney General's Office that contain the term "RICO" or "racketeer" and also the term "climate denial" or "climate denier," including variations of those terms. Responsive records are those dated January 1, 2015, through the date the request is processed. Your instructions beginning in the third paragraph of page 2 of your request continue to apply. Please let me know if these search parameters do not accurately capture the records you seek.

The time established for a response to your request was April 18, 2016. Since your request was clarified on April 11, 2016, we are extending the time to respond to April 21, 2016.

Sincerely,

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