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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request
2016 FOIA 041267

Dear Mr. Richardson and Mr. Horner:

Thank you for writing to the Office of the Illinois Attorney General with your request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.* (West 2014)).

In a facsimile received on April 11, 2016, you requested the following:

[(1)] [C]opies of all emails, including attachments, sent to or from (including also as cc: or bcc:) employees of the * * * Office of the Attorney General Environmental Divisions, except secretarial/administrative and paralegal staff, which correspondence uses any of the following words or phrases, anywhere in the email, including in the body of the thread or any To, From, cc: and/or bcc: or Subject fields:

- a) "RICO [,]"
- b) "climate denial [,]"

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- c) "climate denier" (which includes in "climate deniers")[,]
- d) "climate risk [,]" []
- e) Gore, or
- f) "Whitehouse[.]"

For the above-described request: responsive records will be dated over the approximately four-month period from January 1, 2016 through the date you process this request. (Bold, underscore, and italics in original.)

RESPONSE: Please be advised that we are extending the time within which to respond to this portion of your request by five business days, as allowed by section 3(e)(v) of FOIA (5 ILCS 140/3(e)(v) (West 2014)) because:

(v) the requested records require examination and evaluation by personnel having the necessary competence and discretion to determine if they are exempt from disclosure under Section 7 of this Act or should be revealed only with appropriate deletions[.]

Your facsimile received on April 11, 2016, also requests:

[(2)] [C]opies of all correspondence between the Illinois Attorney General, or the Office's Environmental Division's Office except secretarial/administrative and paralegal staff, and employees of the New York Attorney General's Office, dated from March 20, 2016 through March 30, 2016. (Underscore in original.)

RESPONSE: Please be advised that we are extending the time within which to respond to this portion of your request by five business days, as allowed by section 3(e)(iv) of FOIA (5 ILCS 140/3(e)(iv) (West 2014)) because:

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(iv) the requested records have not been located in the course of routine search and additional efforts are being made to locate them[.]

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Caitlin Q. Knutte', with a stylized, cursive script.

CAITLIN Q. KNUTTE
Assistant Attorney General
FOIA Officer

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