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Sent via email: reed.rubinstein@dinsmore.com

Dear Mr. Rubinstein:

This is an interim response to your letter dated August 5, 2016, received on August 9, 2016, in which you appealed the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) August 2, 2016 response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received on June 14, 2016. Your request seeks certain records OMB guidance and Paperwork Reduction Act implementing regulations and U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) rules, as well as, certain Information Collection Requests.

OMB has conducted a search of its files, and review material that is identified as potentially responsive to your request. We have determined that 119 documents, totaling 424 pages, are appropriate for release in part. These documents are enclosed. As indicated on the enclosures, portions of the released documents have been redacted under FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), (b)(6). Exemption 5 protects interagency or intra-agency pre-decisional deliberative communications, the disclosure of which would inhibit the frank and candid exchange of views that is necessary for effective government decision making. Exemption 6 protects personal information, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. We have also identified 12 documents, totaling 146 pages, as responsive to your request, which we are withholding in full, pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5. These documents consist of draft material that was attached to the email chains that are being released in part with this production.

We will continue to release, on a rolling basis, additional materials that we determine are appropriate for release.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony W. McDonald". The signature is stylized and includes a long, sweeping flourish that extends upwards and to the right.

Anthony W. McDonald
Acting Assistant Director
for Management and Operations

Enclosures