

Walker, Madison

From: Patel, Swati
Sent: Wednesday, July 11, 2012 10:12 AM
To: Walker, Madison
Subject: FW: new request

Please process. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2012 3:23 PM
To: Patel, Swati
Subject: FW: new request

-----Original Message-----

From: Dudley, Renee [<mailto:rdudley@postandcourier.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2012 3:21 PM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: new request

Hi Rob,

I'm sending you essentially the same public records request I sent a year ago.

I am writing to request records pursuant to the S.C. Freedom of Information Act and any applicable federal laws.

I would like copies - in electronic format, if possible - of the following records:

- A detailed daily itinerary for Gov. Nikki Haley's current trip to Europe.
- All expenses - including but not limited to travel, food, hotels and entertainment - incurred during the trip. This should include names of restaurants and hotels. It also should include specifics regarding airfare and air/ ground transportation in Europe. Please provide travel invoices, receipts, expense reports and/ or reimbursement reports.
- The total cost of the trip.
- Please provide any records - including but not limited to memos, emails or text messages - concerning the expenses of the trip. This should include the costs and details of state sponsored events such as receptions or lunches.
- Please provide a detailed description of how the trip was paid for.
- A detailed list of people who accompanied Gov. Haley on the trip and all their expenses (as requested above). If anyone helped cover costs, please specify.
- A detailed list of any gifts that were registered with the state.
- Documents reflecting what Gov. Haley and the Department of Commerce expected to gain from the trip. This should include but is not limited to memos, emails or other correspondence

written before the trip by the governor, top aides, economic advisors and officials in the Department of Commerce.

- A detailed summary of economic benefits derived from the trip, including but not limited to expected contracts or business for the state and the expected number of new private or public sector jobs. This could include but is not limited to memos, emails or other documents written upon returning.

- A detailed summary of upcoming economic development trips for state officials.

Please contact me directly at 843-937-5550 if you have any questions or need any clarification on this request.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Renee

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Renee Dudley
Staff Reporter
The Charleston Post and Courier
843-937-5550
renee_dudley



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

July 31, 2012

Ms. Renee Dudley, Reporter
The Post and Courier
134 Columbus Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

Dear Ms. Dudley,

On July 10, 2012, our office received your Freedom of Information Act request for records related to Governor Haley's economic development trip to the Farnborough Air show, including itineraries, expenses, emails, and attendees. Your specific information requests and our responses to them are provided below.

(1) *A detailed itinerary for Gov. Nikki Haley's trip to London.* We have provided the detailed itinerary from the Department of Commerce and the Governor's Office. Please be advised that information in the itinerary is redacted pursuant to the S.C. Freedom of Information Act where it constitutes (a) information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute unreasonable invasion of personal privacy (Section 30-4-4(a)(2)) or (b) memoranda, correspondence, and working papers relative to efforts or activities of a public body to attract business or industry to invest within South Carolina (Section 30-4-40(a)(9)).

(2) *All expenses – including but not limited to travel, food, hotels and entertainment – incurred during the trip. This should include names of restaurants and hotels. It also should include specifics regarding airfare and air/ground transportation in Europe. Please provide travel invoices, receipts, expense reports and/or reimbursement reports.* Some of this information is provided in the summary document prepared by the Department of Commerce as well as communications referenced in item (4). As detailed cost information becomes available, including invoices, receipts and expense reports from the Department of Commerce, they will be provided to you.

(3) *The total cost of the trip.* An estimated total cost of the trip is provided in the summary document prepared by the Department of Commerce; however the final cost will be determined when all invoices and receipts are received by the department.

(4) *Please provide any records – including but not limited to, memos, emails, or text messages – concerning the trip. This should include the costs and details of state sponsored events such as receptions or lunches.* Any emails and memos in the possession of the Governor's Office have been

provided that relate to costs of the trip and state sponsored events. Also, the summary document prepared by the Department of Commerce, which includes a description of costs, is also provided. We will provide additional detailed cost information as it becomes available.

(5) *Please provide a detailed description of how the trip was paid for.* This information is provided in the summary document prepared by the Department of Commerce.

(6) *A detailed list of people who accompanied Gov. Haley on the trip and all their expenses. If anyone helped cover costs, please specify.* Some of this information is provided in the summary document prepared by the Department of Commerce as well as communications referenced in item (4). As detailed cost information becomes available from the Department of Commerce, including a breakdown of expenses and who helped cover the costs of the state-sponsored portion of the trip, we will provide them to you.

(7) *A detailed list of any gifts that were registered with the state.* A document detailing two gifts that Gov. Haley received is provided. Please be advised that information in this document is redacted pursuant to Section 30-4-40(a)(9) (memoranda, correspondence, and working papers relative to efforts or activities of a public body to attract business or industry to invest within South Carolina).

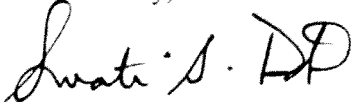
(8) *Documents reflecting what Gov. Haley and the Department of Commerce expected to gain from the trip. This should include but is not limited to memos, emails or other correspondence written before the trip by the governor, top aides, economic advisors and officials in the Department of Commerce.* This information is provided in the summary document prepared by the Department of Commerce as well as in certain email communications prepared for media purposes that are included. Other public records that are responsive to this request, if any, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4-40(a)(9) to the extent that they reflect actual or proposed meetings with confidential business prospects related to current, future, or potential investment and job creation in South Carolina.

(9) *A detailed summary of economic benefits derived from the trip, including but not limited to expected contracts or business for the state and the expected number of new private or public sector jobs. This could include but is not limited to memos, emails or other documents written upon returning.* This information is provided in the summary document prepared by the Department of Commerce as well as in certain email communications prepared for media purposes that are included. Other public records that are responsive to this request, if any, are exempt from disclosure pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4-40(a)(9) to the extent that they reflect actual or proposed meetings with confidential business prospects related to current, future, or potential investment and job creation in South Carolina.

(10) *A detailed summary of upcoming economic development trips for state officials.* No records are available that detail the upcoming economic development trips for state officials; however the Department of Commerce is in the process of planning the next overseas economic development trip for Japan in September of this year.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "S" and a distinct "P".

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 9:10 AM
To: Patel, Swati; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: FW: FOIA request

-----Original Message-----

From: Largen, Stephen [<mailto:slargen@postandcourier.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 9:08 AM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: FOIA request

Please forward this request to Swati or whoever needs this. Thanks

This is a request under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act for all emails sent by Gov. Nikki Haley and her staff since Jan. 1. I am also requesting a record of phone calls by the governor on her state cell phone during that same period. Please include any text messages or Blackberry messages sent by the governor during that time as well. You may contact me by email or at the number below if you have any questions.

Stephen Largen
Reporter, The Post and Courier
(864) 641-8172
follow me on Twitter @stephenlargen

Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 9:18 AM
To: Patel, Swati; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: FW: revised FOIA

-----Original Message-----

From: Largen, Stephen [<mailto:slargen@postandcourier.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 9:17 AM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: revised FOIA

This is a request under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act for all emails sent by Gov. Nikki Haley, her chiefs of staff and legislative staff since Jan. 1. I am also requesting a record of phone calls by the governor on her state cell phone during that same period. Please include any text messages or Blackberry messages sent by the governor during that time as well. You may contact me by email or at the number below if you have any questions.

Stephen Largen
Reporter, The Post and Courier
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Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 9:27 AM
To: Patel, Swati; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: FW: FOIA

-----Original Message-----

From: Largen, Stephen [<mailto:slargen@postandcourier.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 9:25 AM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: FOIA

Rob, please use this request. Thanks

This is a request under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act for all emails sent by Gov. Nikki Haley, her chiefs of staff and legislative staff since Jan. 1. Emails should include those from state and personal accounts. I am also requesting a record of phone calls by the governor on her state cell phone during that same period. Please include any text messages or Blackberry messages sent by the governor during that time as well. You may contact me by email or at the number below if you have any questions.

Stephen Largen
Reporter, The Post and Courier
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Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Largen, Stephen <slargen@postandcourier.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 10:24 AM
To: Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: RE: FOIA

Yes. Use the third one thanks.

Stephen Largen
Reporter, The Post and Courier
(864) 641-8172
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From: Schimsa, Rebecca [RebeccaSchimsa@gov.sc.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 10:03 AM
To: Largen, Stephen
Subject: FW: FOIA

Mr. Largen,

Yesterday, our office received three similar Freedom of Information Act requests from you. Please confirm that the latest one, the one included below, is the one you wish to have been submitted. Once you do, I will confirm that it was received yesterday, July 17th.

Thank you,

Rebecca Schimsa

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From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 9:27 AM
To: Patel, Swati; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: FW: FOIA

-----Original Message-----

From: Largen, Stephen [mailto:slargen@postandcourier.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 9:25 AM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: FOIA

Rob, please use this request. Thanks

This is a request under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act for all emails sent by Gov. Nikki Haley, her chiefs of staff and legislative staff since Jan. 1. Emails should include those from state and personal accounts. I am also requesting a record of phone calls by the governor on her state cell phone during that same period. Please include any text messages or Blackberry messages sent by the governor during that time as well. You may contact me by email or at the number below if you have any questions.

Stephen Lagen
Reporter, The Post and Courier
(864) 641-8172
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State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

August 7, 2012

Mr. Stephen Largen
Reporter, *The Post and Courier*
134 Columbus Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

Dear Mr. Largen,

On July 17, 2012, our office received your Freedom of Information Act request for:

[A]ll emails sent by Gov. Nikki Haley, her chiefs of staff and legislative staff since Jan. 1...[to] include those from state and personal accounts[;] ...a record of phone calls by the governor on her state cell phone during that same period[; and]text messages or Blackberry messages sent by the governor during that time..."

We have located records responsive to your request for Governor Haley and each of the staff members you identified for the time period beginning January 1, 2012 up to the date our office received the request. Due to the high volume of Freedom of Information Act requests received by the Governor's Office and the significant costs associated with producing the requests, our office will charge a reasonable cost of compiling and copying records as allowed pursuant to Section 30-4-30(b).

At this time, we estimate the total number of outgoing emails will be at a minimum 4,000; however this initial estimate does not include the pages associated with each email or attachments. We estimate the pages of attachments to be approximately 7,000. We estimate the pages of monthly phone records for the Governor's state cell phone to be six pages. Finally, we estimate the amount of staff time needed to compile these records to be four hours.

Our initial estimate of total cost for production of this records request is broken down as follows: individual emails total \$400.00 (4,000 pages at 10 cents per page); emails with attachments total \$1,100 (11,000 pages at 10 cents per page); phone records total \$0.60 (six pages at 10 cents per page); and staff time totals \$61.24 (four hours at an average hourly rate of \$15.38 per hour).

Mr. Stephen Lagen

August 7, 2012

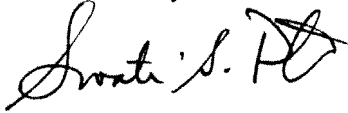
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If you would like to receive all responsive records, please provide a deposit in the amount of \$500.00. We will begin compiling the records when the deposit is received. You may send a check made payable to the "Office of the Governor" to the address below.

Office of the Governor
c/o Swati S. Patel
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to narrow the scope of your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

September 12, 2012

Mr. Stephen Largen
Reporter, *The Post and Courier*
134 Columbus Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

Dear Mr. Largen,

On September 4, 2012, our office received your amended Freedom of Information Act request for:

[A]ll emails sent by Gov. Nikki Haley, her chiefs of staff and legislative staff since *July 1*...[to] include those from state and personal accounts[;] ...a record of phone calls by the governor on her state cell phone during that same period[; and]text messages or Blackberry messages sent by the governor during that time..."

We have located records responsive to your request for Governor Haley and each of the staff members you identified for the time period beginning July 1, 2012 up to the date our office received the original request, July 17, 2012.

At this time, we estimate the total number of emails will be at a minimum 300; however this initial estimate does not include the pages associated with each email or attachments. We estimate the pages of attachments, including the emails, to be approximately 640. We estimate the pages of monthly phone records for the Governor's state cell phone to be six pages. Finally, we estimate the amount of staff time needed to compile these records to be two hours.

Our initial estimate of total cost for production of this records request is broken down as follows: individual emails total \$30.00 (300 pages at 10 cents per page); emails with attachments total \$64.00 (640 pages at 10 cents per page); phone records total \$0.60 (six pages at 10 cents per page); and staff time totals \$30.76 (two hours at an average hourly rate of \$15.38 per hour).

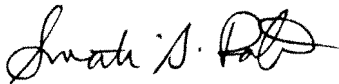
If you would like to receive all responsive records, please provide a deposit in the amount of \$100.00. We will begin compiling the records when the deposit is received. You may send a check made payable to the "Office of the Governor" to the address below.

Mr. Stephen Lagen
September 12, 2012
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Office of the Governor
c/o Swati S. Patel
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

September 25, 2012

Mr. Stephen Largen
Reporter, *The Post and Courier*
134 Columbus Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

Dear Mr. Largen,

On September 21, 2012, our office received your amended Freedom of Information Act request for:

[A]ll emails sent by Gov. Nikki Haley, her chiefs of staff and legislative staff from July 1 to July 31st...[to] include those from state and personal accounts[;] ...a record of phone calls by the governor on her state cell phone during that same period[; and]text messages or Blackberry messages sent by the governor during that time..."

We have located records responsive to your request for Governor Haley and each of the staff members you identified for the time period beginning July 1, 2012 and ending July 31, 2012.

At this time, we estimate the total number of emails will be at a minimum 850; however this initial estimate does not include the pages associated with each email or attachments. We estimate the pages of attachments, including emails, to be approximately 1,650. We estimate the pages of monthly phone records for the Governor's state cell phone to be six pages. Finally, we estimate the amount of staff time needed to compile these records to be three hours.

Our initial estimate of total cost for production of this records request is broken down as follows: individual emails total \$85.00 (850 pages at 10 cents per page); emails with attachments total \$165.00 (1,650 pages at 10 cents per page); phone records total \$0.60 (six pages at 10 cents per page); and staff time totals \$46.14 (three hours at an average hourly rate of \$15.38 per hour).

If you would like to receive all responsive records, please provide a deposit in the amount of \$100.00. We will begin compiling the records when the deposit is received. You may send a check made payable to the "Office of the Governor" to the following address:

Mr. Stephen Lagen
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September 25, 2012

Office of the Governor
c/o Swati S. Patel
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

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is to educate members and all South Carolinians about state and
local public policy based on the traditional South Carolina values
of individual liberty and responsibility, free enterprise and
limited government

July 20, 2012

Gov. Nikki Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton St.,
Columbia, SC 29201

Gov. Haley:

The following request is made under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act.

Please provide me with copies of all records from your office related to this month's trip to England for the Farnborough International Air Show. Specifically, my request includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Records listing the names of everyone who went on the trip;
- Records listing the length of days spent in England by each traveler;
- Records listing all itineraries for each traveler; and
- Records detailing the cost of the trip for each traveler, including all actual receipts for flights, lodging, meals, ground transportation, entertainment and any other related costs.

I would like to request a waiver of any fees for this request. Disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of state government, and is not in our commercial interest.

However, if there is any anticipated cost, please provide an estimate prior to providing the requested records; and please provide the methodology used to determine the anticipated fees.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at (803) 254-4411, or rick@thenerve.org.

Sincerely,

Rick Brundrett
Investigative Reporter, *The Nerve* (www.thenerve.org)



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

August 14, 2012

Mr. Rick Bundrett
Reporter, *The Nerve*
South Carolina Policy Council
1323 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mr. Bundrett:

We have enclosed records responsive to your Freedom of Information Act request for "copies of all records from [the Governor's] office related to [July's] trip to England for the Farnborough International Air Show", including:

- (1) Records listing the names of everyone who went on the trip;
- (2) Records listing the length of days spent in England by each traveler;
- (3) Records listing all itineraries for each traveler; and
- (4) Records detailing the cost of the trip for each traveler, including all actual receipts for flights, lodgings, meals, ground transportation, entertainment and any other related cost.

For Items (1), (2), and (3), we have provided a summary document prepared by the Department of Commerce as well as the detailed itinerary from the Department of Commerce and the Governor's Office. Please be advised that the information in the itinerary is redacted pursuant to the S.C. Freedom of Information Act where it constitutes (a) information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute unreasonable invasion of personal privacy (Section 30-4-4(a)(2)) or (b) memoranda, correspondence, and working papers relative to efforts or activities of a public body to attract business or industry to invest within South Carolina (Section 30-4-40(a)(9)).

For Item (4), some of the cost information is provided in the summary document prepared by the Department of Commerce as well as in other records provided. As detailed cost information becomes available, including invoices, receipts, and expense reports from the Department of Commerce, they will be provided to you.

Please be advised that the Governor's Office possesses records related to Governor Haley regarding this economic development trip. Records you have requested related to other persons who attended the trip may be available at the Department of Commerce which organized the trip.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel".

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

Enclosure



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

November 21, 2012

Mr. Rick Brundrett, Reporter
The Nerve; South Carolina Policy Council
1323 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mr. Brundrett,

On August 14, 2012, our office responded to your Freedom of Information Act request regarding the Governor's economic development trip to England for the Farnborough International Air Show in July of 2012.

Since then, the Department of Commerce has made available the finalized cost information in a summary document, which you specifically requested and which is now being provided to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel".

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

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Enclosures

Alliance for Nuclear Accountability

*A national network of organizations working to address issues of
nuclear weapons production and waste cleanup*

August 21, 2012

Governor Nikki Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

**FOIA Request for Public Records Related to the Office of Governor Haley and the Nation's
Highly Radioactive Spent Fuel Being Brought to South Carolina for "Consolidated" Storage**

Dear Governor Haley:

I am hereby filing this request under the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act as stipulated in Title 30, Chapter 4. Per provisions in the law, I expect a response to this request within 15 days.

I am filing this request as the Nonproliferation Policy Director for the Alliance for Nuclear Accountability (ANA). ANA is a registered non-profit public interest organization with offices in Washington, DC, Santa Fe, NM and Columbia, SC. ANA has 35 members groups around the U.S., with a focus on clean-up and nuclear programs at U.S. Department of Energy sites such as the Savannah River Site (SRS) in South Carolina. ANA actively engages members of Congress, the public and the media related to the DOE budget and funding of clean-up and other activities. ANA likewise engages with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) concerning SRS issues.

In South Carolina, ANA serves the public interest as the primary private monitoring organization over activities conducted by DOE and contractors at the Savannah River Site. ANA regularly attends SRS meetings and is frequently quoted in the media concerning activities at SRS.

As the information sought will be used solely for non-profit public education and media purposes, I request that a waiver of all fees be provided to me. The information obtained will benefit the general public, given the demonstrated interest by the public and media in the issues addressed by this request. The information obtained will serve to inform the public about the workings of the governor's office in relation to the issue for which this request is being filed. ANA has a demonstrated ability to publicly and without cost disseminate information such as that which may be obtained from this request, including via our web site, via news releases and via briefings to Congress.

If any records are withheld, I request a full explanation and justification under the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act. I retain the right to appeal any denial of any aspect of this request and retain the right to pursue legal action to obtain the requested public records.



The public records indicated in this request are being sought in either hard or electronic copy.

I hereby request the following "public records" as it pertains to Governor Haley and gubernatorial staff:

All public records, including reports, documents, orders, emails, and phone records written by Governor Haley and staff, or in their possession, related to internal communication, including with other agencies of the Government of the State of South Carolina, or communication with the U.S. Department of Energy, including the Savannah River Site, concerning the receipt and storage of highly radioactive commercial spent fuel at the Savannah River Site for "consolidated storage."

This request applies to all emails and written communication by Governor Haley or her staff or agencies under her control.

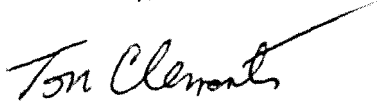
This request applies to all communication with the DOE's Office of Nuclear Energy, including with Dr. Peter Lyons, Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy.

I request that the information be made available to me as it is located and not when the documents have all been accumulated.

Given the sensitivity by and concern of the public to the issue of nuclear waste dumping in South Carolina, your cooperation in a timely response is most appreciated.

I look forward to receiving the requested public records in the time period noted by law. Please send the requested records to the address below. In recognition of the importance of openness and transparency in our government, I appreciate your response to this request as required by law.

Sincerely,



Tom Clements
Alliance for Nuclear Accountability (ANA)
1112 Florence Street
Columbia, SC 29201
tel. 803-834-3084
tomclements329@cs.com



State of South Carolina
Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

August 31, 2012

Mr. Tom Clements
Alliance for Nuclear Accountability
1112 Florence Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mr Clements,

On August 22, 2012, we received your Freedom of Information Act request for "All public records... concerning the receipt and storage of highly radioactive commercial spent fuel at the Savannah River Site for 'consolidated storage'."

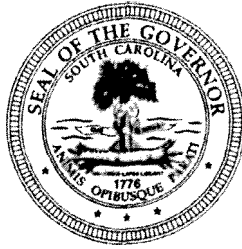
Please be advised that this office does not possess any records responsive to your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel".

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

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State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

September 24, 2012

Mr. Tom Clements
Alliance for Nuclear Accountability
1112 Florence Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mr. Clements,

Upon further research, our office has found documents responsive to your Freedom of Information Act request for:

All public records, including reports, documents, orders, emails, and phone records written by Governor Haley and staff, or in their possession, related to internal communication, including with other agencies of the Government of the State of South Carolina, or communication with the U.S. Department of Energy, including the Savannah River Site, concerning the receipt and storage of highly radioactive spent fuel at the Savannah River Site for "consolidated storage".

Please be advised that records responsive to your request have been exempted pursuant to South Carolina Code Section 30-4-40(a)(2) (information of a personal nature may be exempt where the public disclosure thereof would constitute an unreasonable invasion of personal privacy).

With regard to constituent correspondence responsive to your request, single copies of two form letters from constituents are enclosed along with a single copy of our office's form letter response. However, there are approximately 158 additional pages of identical form letters not provided.

Due to the high volume of Freedom of Information Act requests received by the Governor's Office and the significant costs associated with producing the requests, our office may charge a reasonable cost of copying these records as allowed pursuant to South Carolina Code Section 30-4-40(b).

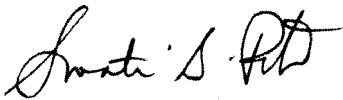
Mr. Tom Clements
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September 24, 2012

If you would like to request the additional form letter documents, then you will need to provide payment of \$15.80 (158 pages at 10 cents per page) by check made payable to the "Office of the Governor" to the following address:

Office of the Governor
c/o Swati S. Patel
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Once payment is received, the additional items will be sent to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

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Alliance for Nuclear Accountability

*A national network of organizations working to address issues of
nuclear weapons production and waste cleanup*

September 28, 2012

Ms. Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel
Office of Governor Nikki Haley
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Re: FOIA Response on Radioactive Spent Nuclear Fuel Storage in South Carolina

Dear Ms. Patel,

Thank you for your response dated September 24, 2012 to my request for documents for the governor's office concerning communication about the "consolidated storage" of highly radioactive spent fuel in South Carolina.

I appreciate that you conducted a second search for pertinent documents and that you sent me what was found.


As I notice that some documents are missing, I request that you conduct an additional search to make sure that all responsive documents have been provided.

In particular, I request that I be provided with documents on this matter in the possession of Josh Baker, including a draft document sent to Karen Patterson, chair of the Governor's Nuclear Advisory Council, which was mentioned in the April 4, 2012 email that you provided. (See email attached.)

Additionally, I request a copy of any "position on interim storage" developed by Governor Haley's office. I also request that I be provided an email from Rob Godfrey provided to The State on this matter. (See article attached where this email was mentioned.)

Thanks very much for your handling of this request.

Sincerely,


Tom Clements
Nonproliferation Policy Director
Alliance for Nuclear Accountability
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Columbia, SC 29201
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two items requested by Tom Clements - see #s

Baker, Josh

From: Patterson, Karen <Karen.Patterson@tetrattech.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 04, 2012 9:08 AM
To: Baker, Josh
Subject: 1 Draft letter and request re Gov position on interim storage

Josh -- Got the draft letter * will provide my thoughts in a day or; and craft a letter the council could send to Chu as well.. 2

Got an email last night from Carolina Nuclear Cluster leadership, asking what the Governor's position on interim storage * is. I will tell them the staff is collecting information preparatory to a position decision. While Aiken is focused on DOE hosting a facility on the SRS, and those implications, I think industry in the state is considering the possibility of a private storage facility that charges either the utility or DOE (depending on how the fuel title is managed) for storage and maintenance. Could be quite lucrative, and if I made storage casks, would consider it the perfect side business - low overhead, high return.

Thanks for your time yesterday. KP

Karen Patterson | Project Manager | Environmental Science Group Manager

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Hot waste at SRS opposed

By SAMMY FRETWELL
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Environmentalists spoke out Thursday against sending high-level waste

from utilities that would send radioactive spent fuel there. Utilities, which relied on ratepayers' money, now want to be reimbursed.

At Thursday's Governor's Nuclear Advisory Council meeting in Columbia, representatives of four conservation groups said South Carolina should resist any federal plan to use SRS for disposal, even if the plan is considered interim.

"For too long, South Carolina has shouldered a disproportionate share of our country's nuclear waste," said Debbie Parker, a representative of the Conservation Voters of South Carolina. "We cannot endorse any negotiations that imply consent... for SRS to serve as an interim site for consolidation of commercial nuclear waste storage or for reprocessing."

Representatives from the state Sierra Club, the S.C. Coastal Conservation League and the Alliance for Nuclear Accountability also spoke out.

The alliance's Tom Clements said behind-the-scenes discussions now are occurring

among state leaders to allow the disposal in exchange for some type of jobs initiative. He did not name anyone, but said "it's time for those in on these discussions to reveal what they are up to" and tell the public.

Gov. Nikki Haley's spokesman said the final resting place for spent fuel should be Yucca Mountain. Republicans have been trying to reverse Obama's decision and open Yucca Mountain. The president canceled the Yucca Mountain project after years of complaints from Sen. Harry Reid, a Nevada Democrat, who said dumping waste in his state would hurt the environment.

Haley is "dedicated to keeping South Carolina from becoming a permanent home for this nation's unprocessed nuclear waste," spokesman Rob Godfrey said in an email to The State newspaper. "The solution to the waste problem we face is a mountain in Nevada. The experts at the Savannah River site can process and stabilize this waste, but its final home should be Yucca Mountain."

editorials against spent fuel storage in South Carolina →

could too easily become permanent. At the very least, it could take decades before a replacement facility would open, they say. Planning for Yucca Mountain dates to the mid-80s. More than \$10 billion was spent on the project, much of the money coming

S.C. League of Women Voters also

spoke against spent fuel storage and reprocessing at SRS.

→ * email from Gov. Haley's office to The State

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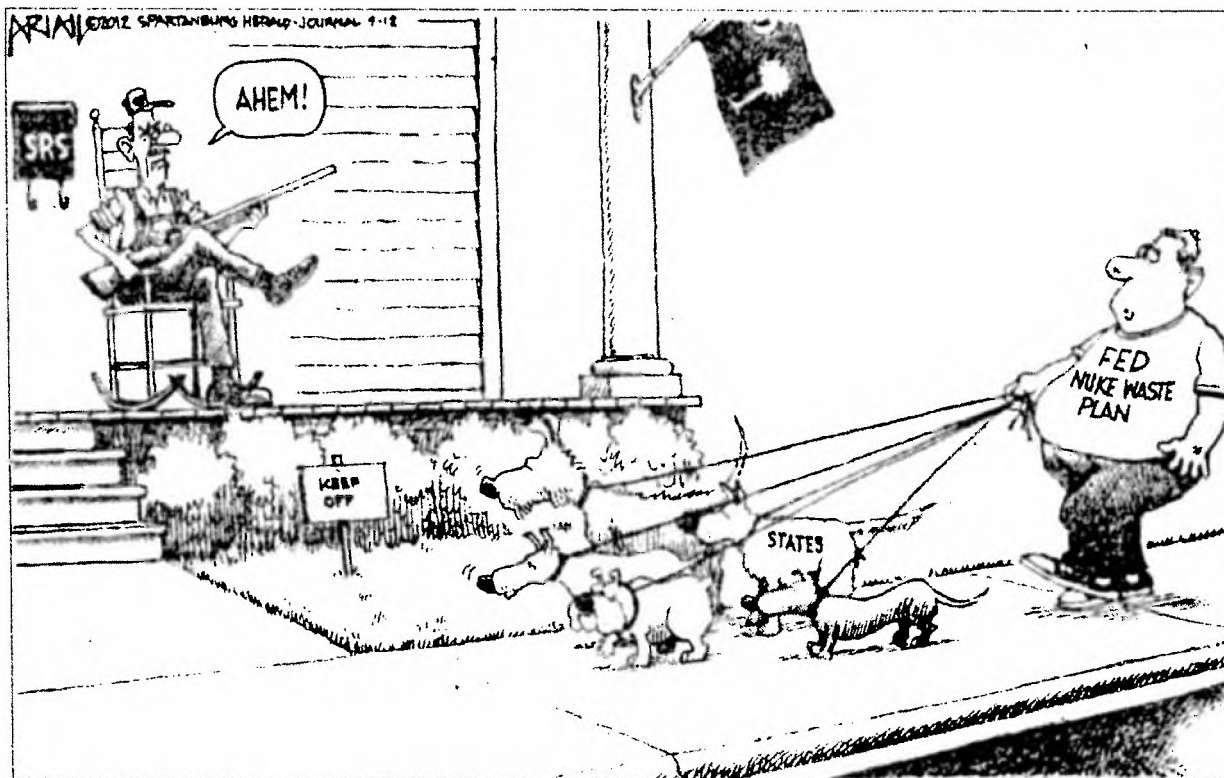
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SRS is not suitable for high-level radioactive waste

No more nuclear waste

Published: Sunday, September 9, 2012 at 3:15 a.m.

A coalition of environmental groups is correct in asking the state to resist any federal effort to send spent fuel from nuclear reactors to the Savannah River Site.

The federal government has no idea about what to do with high-level nuclear waste. It used to have a plan. In fact, it spent about \$10 billion of your money on that plan and then abandoned it. Now, it has no plan.

And when officials in Washington run out of ideas for where to put dangerous nuclear material, they usually fall back to the idea of storing it "temporarily" at the Savannah River Site. Much of the nation's plutonium from decommissioned nuclear weapons is stored at the site.

The fact that the site is located in a sensitive environment and near major population centers did not deter Washington. The fact that the facilities were not designed for long-term storage of this waste did not deter federal officials. They sent the dangerous material there, anyway.

They insisted it wouldn't stay long. They had two plans for permanent disposal of the waste. One of those plans was abandoned. The other is years behind schedule. Meanwhile, the waste sits there, posing an environmental hazard and a threat to the health of the people of this state.

And now, the federal government may want to ship spent fuel from nuclear power plants to the Savannah River Site. The state must object and do so strongly.

The truth is that there is no reason to send this waste to South Carolina. The nation has a perfect site for the disposal of this waste. It is ideally located, designed and built for the purpose. U.S. taxpayers have spent billions on its construction. It is the Yucca Mountain facility in Nevada.

But Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid doesn't want the site used. He'd rather the waste stay stored along the Savannah River. And President Barack Obama is his political ally, so Obama canceled plans to use the site.

The bottom line is that instead of using a site that is located, designed and built specifically for the purpose of storing this material, Washington may instead send it to the Savannah River Site, which is neither located, designed nor built for that purpose.

This is stupidity on a scale that only the federal government can achieve.

Gov. Nikki Haley and lawmakers must work with the state's congressional delegation to make sure that more dangerous nuclear material isn't sent to South Carolina. U.S. Rep James Clyburn should show that he is as important to the president as Reid. They must protect this state from Washington's willingness to sacrifice the health and safety of South Carolinians for petty political concerns.

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Don't bring high-level nuclear waste to SRS in South Carolina

Published: September 15, 2012

S.C. must insist that high-level nuclear waste not be stored at SRS near Aiken.

If highly radioactive waste from the nation's nuclear power plants is sent to South Carolina, the probability is high that it will stay here, perhaps forever. That's why the state's residents and lawmakers need to insist that the federal government find somewhere else to store the waste.

Recently, a coalition of state environmental groups spoke out against a proposal to send spent fuel from the nation's 104 nuclear power plants to the Savannah River Site near Aiken. While the plan calls for using SRS as an "interim" storage site, past experience has shown how difficult it is to remove nuclear waste from the site once it is there.

Although SRS was not designed for long-term storage of nuclear waste, that didn't stop the federal government from sending weapons-grade nuclear materials there. In that case, the plan also was to use the facility only temporarily to house the waste, but it remains there after plans to reuse the nuclear material fell years behind schedule.

Fortunately, the U.S. has an ideal place to store the waste being kept on-site at many power plants nationwide. The nation has invested more than \$10 billion in developing a permanent storage site at Yucca Mountain, Nev.

Planning for the storage site there dates to the mid-80s. The project had been progressing on schedule when, for purely partisan political reasons, President Barack Obama chose in 2009 to abandon the site.

Obama was pressured by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada, who was facing a tough re-election campaign. Reid said dumping waste in his state would hurt the environment; more likely, it would have hurt his political fortune.

Politics aside, the site is ideal for the purpose. It sits in a barren part of the state north of Las Vegas where the government once conducted above-ground testing of nuclear bombs.

Rob Godfrey, spokesman for South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley, issued a statement last week saying that Haley is "dedicated to keeping South Carolina from becoming a permanent home for this nation's processed nuclear waste."

He added that Haley believes Yucca Mountain should be the final resting place for the spent fuel.

That statement leaves wiggle room for making SRS a "temporary" storage site for the fuel with Yucca Mountain the preferred "final" resting place. But we hope the governor's office isn't playing word games and that she will oppose any plan to bring more nuclear waste to the state.

Opponents in the environmental community need to enlist state lawmakers as well as members of the state's congressional delegation to lobby against this plan.



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

October 9, 2012

Mr. Tom Clements
Alliance for Nuclear Accountability
1112 Florence Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mr. Clements,

On October 1, 2012, our office received your request for additional documents relating to your original request of August 22, 2012 for:

All public records, including reports, documents, orders, emails, and phone records written by Governor Haley and staff, or in their possession, related to internal communication, including with other agencies of the Government of the State of South Carolina, or communication with the U.S. Department of Energy, including the Savannah River Site, concerning the receipt and storage of highly radioactive spent fuel at the Savannah River Site for "consolidated storage".

All documents related to your original request have been sent. Some additional documents related to your new request have been located as detailed below:

1. "...[D]ocuments...in the possession of Josh Baker, including a draft document sent to Karen Patterson, chair of the Governor's Nuclear Advisory Council, which was mentioned in the April 4, 2012 email...provided." This document, which relates generally to your original request, is a working document that was deemed not for distribution by the sender. Our office came into possession of this document as the recipient and has exempted the document from disclosure as allowed pursuant to South Carolina Code 30-4-40(a)(2). However, as soon as this document is deemed finalized for distribution and should our office be in possession of the finalized document, then it can be provided to you.
2. "...[A] copy of any 'position on interim storage' developed by Governor Haley's office. There is no record responsive to this request.

Mr. Tom Clements

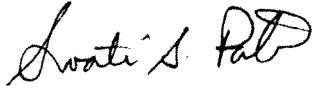
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3. "...[A]n email from Rob Godfrey provided to The State on this matter." This document is enclosed.

If you have any further questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Swati" and last name "Patel" clearly distinguishable.

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

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Enclosures

The Post and Courier

134 Columbus Street

CHARLESTON, SC 29403-4800

(843) 577-7111

Oct. 29, 2012

Gov. Nikki Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Governor:

This is a formal request under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act to inspect and/or copy all records and correspondence relating to the breach of the Department of Revenue's computers by an unknown hacker this year.

This request includes, but is not limited to, written letters, memos, emails and text messages generated or received by your office in connection with the cyber-hacking of Social Security numbers and credit and debit card numbers contained in DOR databases.

Please waive any applicable fees. Release of the information is in the public interest because it will contribute significantly to public understanding of government operations and activities.

Please cite the specific exemption under the FOIA if you choose to withhold any of the requested materials.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Glenn Smith
Staff Reporter
The Post and Courier
843-937-5556
gsmith@postandcourier.com

cc: Rob Godfrey



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

November 5, 2012

Mr. Glenn Smith, Reporter
The Post and Courier
134 Columbus Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

Dear Mr. Smith,

On October 29, 2012, our office received your Freedom of Information Act request for records relating to the South Carolina Department of Revenue cyber attack and resulting security breach. Specifically, you requested:

...All records and correspondence relating to the breach of the Department of Revenue's computers by an unknown hacker this year. This request includes, but is not limited to, written letters, memos, emails, and text messages generated or received by your office in connection with the cyber-hacking of Social Security numbers and credit and debit card numbers contained in DOR databases.

Enclosed are all records and communications responsive to your request. We have not included emails constituting "clips" (daily headlines and corresponding news articles compiled by our Press Office).

In addition, pursuant to the South Carolina Code of Laws, the following redactions and exemptions apply: (1) Section 30-4-40(a)(2) (information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute unreasonable invasion of personal privacy); (2) Section 30-4-40(a)(5) (documents of and documents incidental to proposed contractual arrangements...); and (3) Section 30-4-40(a)(7) (correspondence or work product of legal counsel for a public body and any other material that would violate attorney-client relationships).

Please be advised that fees have been waived for this records production.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel".

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

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Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2012 5:59 PM
To: Patel, Swati; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: FW: Request from News19 WLTX-TV

From: Neal, Sharranda [<mailto:sneal@wltx.gannett.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2012 5:58 PM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: Request from News19 WLTX-TV

Pursuant to the SC Freedom of Information Act, News19 WLTX-TV requests the following information:

- *all email/ written correspondence between Governor Nikki Haley and her staff with Pat Malley and James Etter between August 26, 2012 to present (October 31, 2012)
- * any written requests, from Governor Nikki Haley requesting an investigation into how hackers breached the computer servers maintained by the South Carolina Department of Revenue

This request is for correspondence sent between August 26, 2012 and October 31, 2012

I request any fees associated with this request be waived, because the information requested will serve the public interest.

Please let me know if there is anything more I need to do to facilitate this request.

Thanks for your prompt response,

Sharranda Neal
Content Manager
News19 WLTX-TV
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Columbia, S.C. 29209
Phone: (803) 695-3741
Cell Phone: (803) 429-9021
Fax: (803) 776-1791

Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Neal, Sharranda <sneal@wltx.gannett.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2012 3:59 PM
To: Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: RE: FOIA request to the Governor's Office

Hi Rebecca,

Thanks for your follow-up to my request.

We are looking to obtain all correspondence between the parties mentioned, between the dates listed.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any further questions.

Thanks,

Sharranda

Sharranda Neal
Content Manager
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Columbia, S.C. 29209
Phone: (803) 695-3741
Cell Phone: (803) 429-9021
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From: Schimsa, Rebecca [<mailto:RebeccaSchimsa@gov.sc.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2012 2:54 PM
To: Neal, Sharranda
Subject: FOIA request to the Governor's Office

Dear Ms. Neal,

On October 31, 2012, our office received your Freedom of Information Act request for "all email/written correspondence between Governor Nikki Haley and her staff with Pat Maley and James Etter between August 26, 2012 to present ..." Would you like us to process your request for only those communications that are related to the criminal cyber attack at the Department of Revenue?

Sincerely,

Rebecca Schimsa

Rebecca S. Schimsa
Office of Governor Nikki R. Haley
Staff Attorney & Commerce Liaison

O: (803) 734-6068 | C: (803) 429-4561



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
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1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

November 29, 2012

Ms. Sharranda Neal
Content Manager
News19 WLTX-TV
6027 Garners Ferry Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29209

Dear Ms. Neal,

On November 26, 2012, our office responded to your Freedom of Information Act request for the following:

- (1) All email/ written correspondence between Governor Nikki Haley and her staff with Pat Maley and James Etter between August 26, 2012 to present (October 31, 2012); and
- (2) Any written requests from Governor Haley request an investigation into how hackers breached the computer servers maintained by the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

We have enclosed records responsive to your request and a receipt of payment. Pursuant to the South Carolina Code of Laws, the following redactions and exemptions apply: (1) Section 30-4-40(a)(2) (information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute unreasonable invasion of personal privacy); (2) Section 30-4-40(a)(5) (documents of and documents incidental to proposed contractual arrangements...); and (3) Section 30-4-40(a)(7) (correspondence or work product of legal counsel for a public body and any other material that would violate attorney-client relationships).

Please be advised that fees have been waived for all records relating to the SCDOR security breach.

For records not relating to the security breach, our office is charging a reasonable cost of copying records and a reasonably hourly rate for making records available as allowed pursuant to Section 30-4-30(b) and as stated in our previous letter of November 26, 2012. The final cost for these records is \$40.19 (\$8.50 for 85 pages at 10 cents per page and \$31.69 for staff time to identify and compile records).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati S. Patel".

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

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Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Patel, Swati
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2012 9:44 AM
To: Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: FW: Email request

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2012 12:54 PM
To: Patel, Swati
Subject: Fw: Email request

From: Adcox, Seanna M. [<mailto:SAdcox@ap.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2012 12:42 PM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: Email request

Can I get copies of Gov. Haley's emails since Sept. 13 that reference or in any way pertain to the security breach at the Department of Revenue. Also, on the same subject and time frame, copies of emails written or received by Tim Pearson and Bryan Stirling.

Seanna

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1205 PENDLETON STREET
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November 5, 2012

Ms. Seanna Adcox
Reporter
The Associated Press

Dear Seanna:

On October 31, 2012, our office received your request for records relating to the South Carolina Department of Revenue cyber attack and resulting security breach. Specifically, you requested:

...copies of Gov. Haley's emails since Sept. 13 that reference or in any way pertain to the security breach at the Department of Revenue. Also on the same subject and time frame, copies of emails written or received by Tim Pearson and Bryan Stirling."

In addition to providing records specifically responsive to your request, the Governor's Office is providing all records and communications discloseable under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act in its possession related to the Department of Revenue's security breach.

Pursuant to the South Carolina Code of Laws, the following redactions and exemptions apply: (1) Section 30-4-40(a)(2) (information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute unreasonable invasion of personal privacy); (2) Section 30-4-40(a)(5) (documents of and documents incidental to proposed contractual arrangements...); and (3) Section 30-4-40(a)(7) (correspondence or work product of legal counsel for a public body and any other material that would violate attorney-client relationships). We have not included emails constituting "clips" (daily headlines and corresponding news articles compiled by our Press Office).

Please be advised that fees have been waived for this records production.

Sincerely,

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Swati S. Patel
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Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Monday, November 05, 2012 7:14 PM
To: 'ashain@thestate.com'
Cc: Patel, Swati; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: Re: FOIA request

Andy,

Thank you for reaching out. I am passing this along to the folks who process FOI requests in our office. Don't hesitate to contact me with questions.

Rob

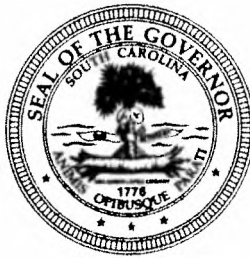
From: Shain, Andy [<mailto:ashain@thestate.com>]
Sent: Monday, November 05, 2012 07:11 PM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: FOIA request

Rob --

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting all emails and other correspondence sent to the governor's office regarding the data security breach at the SC Department of Revenue from when the Secret Service first informed the state of the hacking on Oct. 10 through the news conference on Oct. 26.

Thank you,
Andy

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NOTE

In response to a high volume of Freedom of Information Act requests received by the Governor's Office after the data security breach at the Department of Revenue, our office chose to disclose records relating to the breach within as short a timeframe as possible and also chose to waive any costs associated with production. **This disclosure was produced on November 5, 2012 en masse to *The State*, the *Greenville News*, the *Post & Courier*, and the *Associated Press*.**

State reporter, Andy Shain, requested records related to the breach on November 5, 2012, a response to which would have been due on November 26, 2012. Rather than delay production to the statutory deadline, our office produced records beyond the scope of his request to *The State* that day, November 5, 2012.

Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Friday, December 21, 2012 8:43 AM
To: Patel, Swati; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: FW: FOIA request

-----Original Message-----

From: Largen, Stephen [<mailto:slargen@postandcourier.com>]
Sent: Friday, December 21, 2012 8:42 AM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: FOIA request

This is a request under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act for all correspondence (emails, letters etc.) sent and received by your administration related to the resignation of Jim DeMint, the ensuing appointment process, finalists for the appointment, Tim Scott and other related topics. Please contact me via email or at 864-641-8172 if you have any questions.

Stephen Largen
Reporter, The Post and Courier
(864) 641-8172
follow me on Twitter @stephenlargen



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

January 17, 2013

Mr. Stephen Largen
Reporter, *The Post and Courier*
134 Columbus Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

Dear Mr. Largen,

On December 21, 2012, our office received your Freedom of Information Act request for the following:

[A]ll correspondence (emails, letters etc.) sent and received by your administration related to the resignation of Jim DeMint, the ensuing appointment process, finalists for the appointment, Tim Scott and other related topics.

We have located records responsive to your request. Due to the high volume of Freedom of Information Act requests received by the Governor's Office and the significant costs associated with producing the requests, our office will charge a reasonable cost of compiling and copying records as allowed pursuant to South Carolina Code Section 30-4-40(b).

At this time, we estimate the total number of pages, including attachments, for all correspondence to be 1,319: an estimated 219 pages of staff correspondence and an estimated 1,100 pages of constituent correspondence. For this production, our initial estimate of total cost is \$163.59: an estimated \$131.90 for copies (1,319 pages at ten cents per page) and an estimated \$31.69 for staff time to compile records (one hour at an hourly wage of \$31.69 per hour).

If you would like to receive all responsive records, please provide a deposit in the amount of \$100.00, and when received, we will begin compiling records. You may send a check made payable to the "Office of the Governor" to the following address:

Office of the Governor
c/o Swati S. Patel
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

If you would like to narrow the scope of your request, please do so in writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Swati".

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Wednesday, January 23, 2013 12:55 PM
To: Patel, Swati; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: Fw: FOIA request

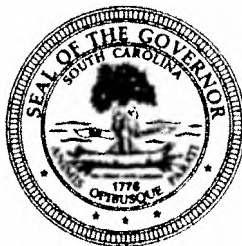
From: Shain, Andy [<mailto:ashain@thestate.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, January 23, 2013 12:50 PM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: FOIA request

Rob --

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting all emails and other correspondence sent to the governor's office regarding the data security breach at the SC Department of Revenue from Oct. 26 through Jan. 25.

Thank you,
Andy

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Andrew Shain
Reporter/Editor
The State
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State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

February 13, 2013

Mr. Andy Shain
The State, Reporter
1401 Shop Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Andy,

On January 23, 2013, our office received your Freedom of Information Act request for the following:

[A]ll emails and other correspondence sent to the [G]overnor's [O]ffice regarding the data security breach at the SC Department of Revenue from Oct. 26 through Jan. 25.

Our office has located records responsive to your request from October 26, 2012 to the date your request was received, January 23, 2013. Due to the high volume of Freedom of Information Act requests received by the Governor's Office and the significant costs associated with producing the requests, our office will charge a reasonable cost of compiling and copying records as allowed pursuant to Section 30-4-40(b) of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

At this time, we estimate the total number of pages, including attachments, for all incoming correspondence to be 2,340 pages: an estimated 1,465 pages of staff correspondence and an estimated 875 pages of constituent correspondence. Please be advised that a significant volume of responsive records were located that are exempt from disclosure pursuant to Section 30-4-40(a)(7) (correspondence or work product of legal counsel).

For this production, our initial estimate of the total cost is \$424.14: an estimated \$234.00 for copies (2,340 pages at ten cents per page) and an estimated \$190.14 for staff time to compile records (six hours at an hourly wage of \$31.69 per hour).

If you would like to narrow the scope of your request, please do so in writing. If you would like to receive all responsive records, please provide a deposit in the amount of \$100.00, and when

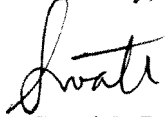
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received, our office will begin compiling records. You may send a check made payable to the "Office of the Governor" to the following address:

Office of the Governor
c/o Swati S. Patel
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Upon completion of compilation, our office will notify you of the final cost. The remaining balance will be due prior to the production of records.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Swati", with a small mark above the final letter.

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

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State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

August 9, 2013

VIA EMAIL

Mr. Andy Shain
The State, Reporter
1401 Shop Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Andy,

In response to receiving your deposit for your Freedom of Information of Act request for "all emails and other correspondence sent to the [G]overnor's [O]ffice regarding the data security breach at the SC Department of Revenue from Oct. 26 through Jan. 25", we conducted an exhaustive search of responsive records and can provide you the final cost for production. The search and review of responsive records required an extensive amount of time due to the broadness of the request and the very large number of records located.

As previously stated, due to the high volume of Freedom of Information Act requests received by the Governor's Office and the significant costs associated with producing the requests, our office is charging a reasonable cost for compiling and copying records as allowed pursuant to Section 30-4-30(b) of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

To produce this records request, the total cost will be \$1,279.14: \$381.40 for copies (3,814 pages at ten cents per page) and \$997.74 for staff time to compile records (35 hours at an hourly wage of \$14.26 per hour; and 22 hours, 35 minutes at an hourly wage of \$22.08 per hour), less the payment of the deposit, \$100.00.

With respect to costs for staff time to compile incoming constituent correspondence to the Governor's Office, our office used the actual hourly rate of the employee who searched and collected those records, \$22.08 per hour. With respect to costs for staff time to compile incoming staff correspondence, our office used the lowest hourly rate of an employee in the Governor's Office, \$14.26 per hour, putting forth our best effort to furnish records to you at the lowest possible cost in accordance with Section 30-4-30(b). In addition, we removed much of the duplicated correspondence, such as an incoming piece of correspondence to multiple staff

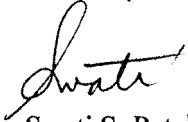
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members or a repeated electronic-mail string, which has greatly reduced the total number of pages and, accordingly, the total cost. Enclosed is an attachment providing these calculations to you in greater detail.

Please be advised that many responsive records that were located are exempt from disclosure pursuant to Section 30-4-40, the specific exemptions of which will be outlined for you in the letter accompanying production.

After payment has been received, a copy of the non-exempt responsive records will be provided to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

Enclosure

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Attachment

Due to the high volume of Freedom of Information Act requests received by the Governor's Office and the significant costs associated with producing the requests, the Governor's Office is charging a reasonable cost for compiling and copying records as allowed pursuant to Section 30-4-40(b) of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

In response to Mr. Andy Shain's Freedom of Information Act request for "all emails and other correspondence sent to the [G]overnor's [O]ffice regarding the data security breach at the SC Department of Revenue from Oct. 26 through Jan. 25", the calculation for costs are as follows:

	Rate	Amount	Total Cost
Copies	\$00.10	3,814 pages	\$381.40
Staff Time for Governor's Office	\$14.26 per hour	35 hours	\$499.10
Staff Time for Governor's Constituent Services Office	\$22.08 per hour	22 hours 35 mins.	\$498.64
			\$1,379.14 – \$100.00 deposit =
			\$1,279.14 Total Cost

Schimsa, Rebecca

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Thursday, June 06, 2013 2:32 PM
To: Patel, Swati; Schimsa, Rebecca
Cc: Mayer, Doug; Taillon, Jeff
Subject: FW: FOIA concerning data breach

-----Original Message-----

From: Smith, Tim [<mailto:tcsmith@greenvillenews.com>]
Sent: Thursday, June 06, 2013 2:28 PM
To: Godfrey, Rob
Subject: FOIA concerning data breach

Rob,

Pursuant to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, The Greenville News hereby requests copies of any records pertaining to any ransom paid, or funds designated to ultimately be paid to international sources to secure data in connection with the hacking of the Department of Revenue last year.

This includes, but is not limited to, any letters, memos, briefing documents, reports or any records concerning any money transferred or paid to anyone believed to have been responsible for or acting in concert with those who breached DOR files in September 2012, whether the funds were state or federal monies.

Please contact me at this email address or at the phone number or address below if you have any questions or once a response is prepared.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Tim Smith
The Greenville News/Columbia Bureau
803.256.7367
517 Amherst Ave.
Columbia, SC 29205



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR

1205 PENDLETON STREET
COLUMBIA 29201

June 27, 2013

Mr. Tim Smith, Reporter
The Greenville News, Columbia Bureau
517 Amherst Avenue
Columbia, South Carolina 29205

Tim
Mr. Smith,

On June 6, 2013, our office received your request for the following:

[A]ny records pertaining to any ransom paid[] or funds designated to ultimately be paid to international sources to secure data in connection with the hacking of the Department of Revenue last year[, which] ... includes, but is not limited to, any letters, memos, briefing documents, reports or any records concerning any money transferred or paid to anyone believed to have been responsible for or acting in concert with those who breached DOR files in September 2012, whether the funds were state or federal monies.

While our office does not possess any records directly responsive to your request, we have enclosed records related to your request, which are internal and external communications sent in response to State Senator Brad Hutto's letter to the Governor of June 5, 2013.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Swati".

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel

Enclosures

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