



## State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

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**VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY**

Mr. Thomas Gardiner  
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*Aiken Standard*  
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Dear Mr. Gardiner,

Our office received your Freedom of Information Act request for copies of the following records from "August 23, 2016 to November 21, 2016":

"[A]ll email communications between email accounts associated with Governor Haley and her staff and email accounts both personal and official associated with former SC Department of Revenue Director Rick Reames during the last 90 days" and "all email communications that discuss SC Department of Revenue Director Rick Reames between Gov. Haley and any other entity or person(s) during the same period of time."

Our office will provide any and all public records in our possession that are responsive to your request, subject to any exemptions or redactions as allowed pursuant to Section 30-4-40(a) of the South Carolina Code of Laws or as is otherwise exempt from disclosure by statute or regulation or prohibited from disclosure by court order.

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 for searching and copying records as allowed pursuant to Section 30-4-30(b).

Our office has identified records responsive to your request. We are currently compiling responsive records to determine an estimated cost and will notify you as soon as a cost estimate has been determined.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richele K. Taylor" followed by a stylized flourish or checkmark.

Richele K. Taylor  
Chief Legal Counsel

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