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Doug Mayer, Communications Director
Office of the Governor
South Carolina State House, First Floor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Mr. Mayer:

Pursuant to the state open records law, S.C. Code Ann. Secs. 30-4-10 to 30-4-165, I write to request access to and a copy of all correspondence between any outside parties and the Governor's Office concerning the formation and activity of the partnership involving the offices of Governor Haley, Governor Pat McCrory of North Carolina, and Governor Robert McDonnell of Virginia that is calling on the federal government to allow exploration for and development of oil and gas resources off those states' coasts.

I agree to pay any reasonable copying and postage fees of not more than \$100.00. If the cost would be greater than this amount, please notify me. Please provide a receipt indicating the charges for each document.

As provided by the open records law, I will expect your response within fifteen (15) working days. See S.C. Code Ann. Sec. 30-4-30(c).

If you choose to deny this request, please provide a written explanation for the denial including a reference to the specific statutory exemption(s) upon which you rely. Also, please provide all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material.

Please be advised that I am prepared to pursue whatever legal remedy necessary to obtain access to the requested records. I would note that willful violation of the open records law is a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$100 or imprisonment for up to 30 days. See S.C. Code Ann. Sec. 30-4-110. Court costs and reasonable attorney fees may also be awarded. See Sec. 30-4-100.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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