



State of South Carolina  
Office of the Governor

NIKKI R. HALEY  
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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:

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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 that reads "Swati".

Swati S. Patel  
Chief Legal Counsel

Enclosures

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Should you have further questions about this matter, please contact the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division or the United States Secret Service.

Sincerely,

Swati S. Patel  
Chief Legal Counsel

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## Haltiwanger, Katherine

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**From:** Stirling, Bryan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2013 3:33 PM  
**To:** Haltiwanger, Katherine  
**Subject:** Document1  
**Attachments:** Document1.docx

Dear Chief Keel and Special Agent Robert Rolin,

Please find enclosed a letter from Senator Brad Hutto, received today, regarding the 2012 Security Breach at the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

I am copying Senator Hutto on this correspondence.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Bryan Stirling

CC: Senator Brad Hutto(via hand delivery)

## Haltiwanger, Katherine

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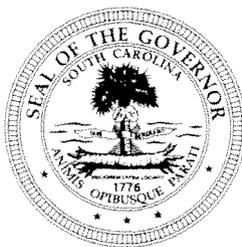
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Chief Mark Keel  
South Carolina Law Enforcement Division  
4400 Broad River Road  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Special Agent in Charge Robert Rolin  
United States Secret Service  
107 Westpark Boulevard, Suite 301  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Dear Chief Keel and Special Agent in Charge Rolin,

Please find enclosed a letter from South Carolina Senator Brad Hutto, received today, regarding the 2012 security breach at the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

Thank you in advance for responding to this correspondence.

Sincerely,

  
Bryan P. Stirling  
Chief of Staff

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Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Alan Wilson, South Carolina Attorney General (via hand-delivery)  
The Honorable Brad Hutto (via hand-delivery)

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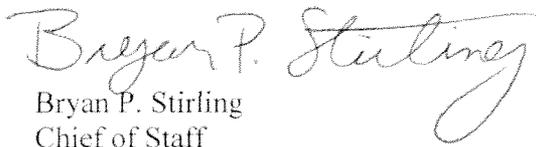
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cc: The Honorable Alan Wilson, South Carolina Attorney General (via hand-delivery)  
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## Brad Hutto

South Carolina Senate District 40  
Orangeburg, Allendale, Bamberg,  
Barnwell, Colleton and Hampton  
Counties

**Committees:**

Education  
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Review Committee  
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Committee on Children



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June 5, 2013

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley  
Governor  
The State House  
Columbia, S.C. 29202

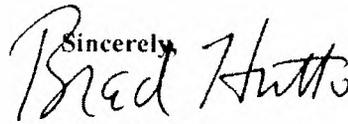
**HAND DELIVERED**

Dear Governor Haley:

Is it true that a ransom was paid on behalf of the State of South Carolina to a person or persons who were involved in or responsible for the theft of the personal identity information of millions of South Carolinians and South Carolina businesses from the South Carolina Department of Revenue in the fall of 2012?

I am calling upon you to reveal any and all knowledge you have regarding the payment of a ransom related to the computer hacking that took place last year. I am asking that this question be answered immediately, as the General Assembly is in the final stages of approving a Budget that will appropriate tens of millions of dollars to protect South Carolinians. If a ransom has been paid for stolen materials and those materials have been recovered, then this money can only be part of a cover up of the truth that all South Carolinians are entitled to know.

If you cannot answer this question because you have entered a confidentiality agreement, please let me know.

Sincerely,  
  
Brad Hutto

cc: The Honorable Alan Wilson  
Chief Mark Keel