



State Of South Carolina

Office of the Governor

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Mr. John O'Connor
The State
1401 Shop Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear John:

On April 18, 2011, our office received your Freedom of Information Request for "[a]ll documents, e-mails or memoranda regarding the recruitment of a sponsor for the Heritage golf tournament sent or received since Jan. 12, 2011."

Please find enclosed records responsive to your request. Pursuant to Section 30-4-40(a)(9) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, any records and information related "to efforts or activities of a public body and of a person or entity employed by or authorized to act for or on behalf of a public body to attract business or industry to invest within South Carolina" are exempt and not disclosed so as to maintain the confidentiality of potential prospects.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Swati", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel