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Dear Attorney Labinger:

This Office's review of the production and redactions performed by the prior Administration in response to Ms. Patricia Morgan's Access to Public Records Act request is now complete. Enclosed please find a CD containing a new version of that production.

Although a detailed privilege log is included, in general, documents were not withheld or redacted unless necessary to protect: (1) personal privacy or safety, (2) the security of the State of Rhode Island's financial accounts, or (3) the security of the Attorney General's information technology infrastructure. Among the categories of information previously redacted, and no longer redacted, are purchase order numbers, invoice numbers, order numbers, proposal numbers, requisition numbers, payment process request numbers, contract numbers, vehicle identification numbers, draft documents, memoranda, and notes.

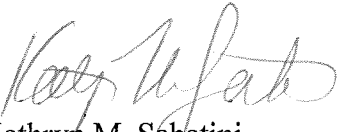
As part of our review, this Office has categorized each redaction. Two privilege logs are provided: (1) for FY 13-18 invoices and (2) for all other categories reviewed, i.e., Bids Submitted, Budgets, Drawdowns, Projects, Contracts, DOJ Correspondences, Needs Assessments, and RFPs. No information was redacted from the "Rules and Regulations;" accordingly, this category does not appear on a privilege log. For purposes of the privilege log, all documents have bates numbers. Any document that has been redacted is recorded and appropriately categorized on the privilege log by bates number. Numbers in parenthesis represent the number of redactions made on a particular page. The only documents entirely withheld concern detailed interior/exterior diagrams of Attorney General facilities, which are being withheld since public disclosure poses safety and security concerns to our facilities and personnel. The withheld documents are also noted on the privilege log. Additionally, you should note that some provided documents may be copyrighted but are being provided to you under the "fair use" exception. It is the responsibility of the recipient of these documents to comply with copyright laws.

Should you or Ms. Morgan have any questions about this production or believe that any material was improperly redacted, kindly contact me. It is this Office's goal to achieve maximum transparency within the framework described in this letter.

Finally, because our review has unredacted much information that was previously redacted, this Office has decided that, in the interest of resolving outstanding issues, Ms. Morgan's payment of \$3,750.00 should be refunded. A check will be mailed directly to Ms. Morgan by separate letter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Kathryn M. Sabatini', written in black ink.

Kathryn M. Sabatini
Assistant Attorney General

cc: Debra Saunders, Clerk of the Supreme Court