## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549



Stop 9613 November 29, 2022

Via electronic mail conn.hindley@gmail.com

Mr. Connor Hindley P.O. Box 1370 Dillon, CO 80435

Re: Appeal, Freedom of Information Act Request No. 22-03086-FOIA, designated on

appeal as No. 23-00004-APPS

Dear Mr. Hindley:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) appeal of the FOIA Office's response to your September 28, 2022 FOIA request for a "transcript, or meeting minutes, or a transcription of an electronic recording disclosing the identity of each speaker of the closed meeting that occurred on May 13, 2021 at 2 pm ET." By letter dated October 7, 2022, the FOIA Office denied your request, asserting FOIA Exemption 5 to withhold the requested records. On October 7, 2022, you filed this appeal challenging to the FOIA Office's response.

I have considered your appeal and find that the FOIA Office did not perform an adequate review of the withheld records. I am, therefore, remanding your request to the FOIA Office for further review and processing. You should be aware that the requested records may still be exempt from disclosure, in whole or part, pursuant to various FOIA exemptions, including Exemption 5. You may contact Lizzette Katilius, FOIA Branch Chief, at 202-551-7900, regarding the status of your request on remand.

If you have any questions concerning my determination, please contact Mark Tallarico, Senior Counsel, at 202-551-5132.

For the Commission by delegated authority,

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