

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Office of FOIA Services

November 24, 2021

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

Re: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552

Request No. 22-00069-FOIA

Dear Mr. Hindley:

This letter responds to your request, dated October 11, 2021 and received in this office on October 12, 2021, for access to transcripts, 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 Eastern Standard Time.

We are withholding records that may be responsive to your request under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5). Under Exemption 5, we are withholding records that were prepared in anticipation of litigation, form an integral part of the pre-decisional process, and/or contain advice given to the Commission or senior staff by the Commission's attorneys or under a consultant corollary. This material is protected from release by the attorney work-product, deliberative process and/or attorney-client privileges embodied in Exemption 5.

I am the deciding official with regard to this adverse determination. You have the right to appeal my decision to the SEC's General Counsel under 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6), 17 CFR § 200.80(f)(1). The appeal must be received within ninety (90) calendar days of the date of this adverse decision. Your appeal must be in writing, clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal," and should identify the requested records. The appeal may include facts and authorities you consider appropriate.

You may file your appeal by completing the online Appeal form located at <a href="https://www.sec.gov/forms/request\_appeal">https://www.sec.gov/forms/request\_appeal</a>, or mail your appeal to the Office of FOIA Services of the Securities and Exchange Commission located at Station Place, 100 F Street NE, Mail Stop 2465, Washington, D.C. 20549, or deliver it to Room 1120 at that address.

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If you have any questions, please contact Joel Hansen of my staff at <a href="https://hansenjo@sec.gov">hansenjo@sec.gov</a> or (202) 551-8377. You may also contact me at <a href="foiapa@sec.gov">foiapa@sec.gov</a> or (202) 551-7900. You may also contact the SEC's FOIA Public Service Center at <a href="foiapa@sec.gov">foiapa@sec.gov</a> or (202) 551-7900. For more information about the FOIA Public Service Center and other options available to you please see the attached addendum.

Sincerely,

Lizzette Katilius FOIA Branch Chief

Enclosure

## **ADDENDUM**

For further assistance you can contact a SEC FOIA Public Liaison by calling (202) 551-7900 or visiting https://www.sec.gov/oso/help/foia-contact.html.

SEC FOIA Public Liaisons are supervisory staff within the Office of FOIA Services. They can assist FOIA requesters with general questions or concerns about the SEC's FOIA process or about the processing of their specific request.

In addition, you may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA dispute resolution services it offers. OGIS can be reached at 1-877-684-6448 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:ogis@nara.gov">ogis@nara.gov</a>. Information concerning services offered by OGIS can be found at their website at <a href="mailto:Archives.gov">Archives.gov</a>. Note that contacting the FOIA Public Liaison or OGIS does not stop the 90-day appeal clock and is not a substitute for filing an administrative appeal.