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Via Hand Delivery

Michael Bekesha Judicial Watch, Inc. 425 Third Street S.W., Suite 800 Washington, DC 20024

Re:

Judicial Watch, Inc. v. U.S. Dep't of Justice, Civ. No. 12-1510 (D.D.C.).

Dear Mr. Bekesha:

Earlier this month, you and I discussed the provision to Judicial Watch of records that were previously provided to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, U.S. House of Representatives, and that are responsive to Judicial Watch's FOIA request, subject to additional redactions as appropriate. And on November 7, 2014, the parties in this case filed a joint status report (ECF No. 46) in which they indicated that the provision of such materials would occur by today's date. Towards that end, please find enclosed with this letter the contemplated release of records.

For your reference, all redactions have been marked with a text box indicating the nature of the redaction. Material withheld pursuant to the deliberative process privilege has been marked "DP" or "DPP." Material marked for redaction by ATF, DHS, DEA, USMS, or State has been identified with a reference to the relevant entity. Material withheld to protect personal information (i.e., telephone numbers, email addresses, etc.) has been marked "Privacy." Other privilege redactions are marked accordingly. In addition, material concerning either (i) government business unrelated to Operation Fast and Furious and the associated congressional investigation, or (ii) personal matters, has been marked "Unrelated." Such material may otherwise contain information that is privileged, and the Department reserves the right to assert these additional bases for withholding if the unrelated material remains at issue.

The Department also intends to soon provide to Judicial Watch an updated version of the draft Vaughn index provided on October 22, 2014.

We look forward to discussing these matters with you in advance of the joint status report to be filed by January 16, 2015.

Sincerely,

Gregory Dworkowitz

Enclosure