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September 12, 2018

Mr. Taylor Amarel
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RE: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552
Request No. **18-02358-FOIA**

Dear Mr. Amarel:

This is the final response to your request, dated July 3, 2018 and received in this office on July 17, 2018, for information regarding Office of the Whistleblower (OWB) staff and budget levels. Specifically, you seek:

1. The number of staff presently assigned to the OWB;
2. The salaries or government pay levels of the OWB staff; and
3. The most recent annual expenditure for the OWB, exclusive of Whistleblower payments.

On July 20, 2018 I responded to No. 1 of your request by stating that the number of staff presently assigned to the OWB is 21. With respect to No. 2, access is granted in full to the attached spreadsheet. For No. 3, please be advised that the most recent annual expenditure available for the OWB is for FY 2017. The total annual expenditure for FY17 was \$2,753,111.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at sifordm@sec.gov or (202)551-7201. You may also contact the SEC's FOIA Public Service Center at foiapa@sec.gov or (202) 551-7900. 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>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Siford".

Mark P. Siford
Counsel to the Director/Chief FOIA Officer
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Attachment