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Commandant (CG-611)
Attn: FOIA Officer
U.S. Coast Guard STOP 7710
2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave SE Washington, DC 20593-7710
efoia@uscg.mil

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Commandant:

My name is Evlondo Cooper, and I am a Senior Fellow with Checks and Balances Project, a government and industry watchdog blog. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. Section 552), I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain public records of Mr. George Detweiler's communications with stakeholders or stakeholder organizations regarding the ACPARS study.

Mr. Detweiler is a Marine Spatial Planner in the Coast Guard's Aids to Navigation (ATON) Division.

Time Period

This request seeks records created and/or received during the following period:

May 11, 2011 through Today.

Records Sought

As indicated above, I am requesting all records evidencing or regarding communications or meetings of Mr. Detweiler that are related to the ACPARS study. This request should be interpreted broadly and includes but is not limited to:

- Emails between Mr. Detweiler and:
 - Dana Goward, ACPARS Co-chair
 - Gary Rasicot, ACPARS Co-Chair
 - Jeremy de Halpert, Deputy Master of the Corporation of Trinity House
 - Gary English, Maersk Line Limited Associate General Counsel Maritime Law
 - Jennifer Carpenter, Executive Vice President & COO American Waterways Operators
 - Any other member of the ACPARS Working Group not named in this request
- Phone logs for the above-referenced dates.
- All meeting calendars for the above-referenced dates, electronic or paper, irrespective of device.

- Any communications made by other electronic means (such as, without limitation, electronic chat and instant messaging), or other means of contemporaneous interactive communication that George Detweiler might have used to conduct discussions regarding ACPARS.

Please also provide copies of all responsive records, regardless of how created or stored or what device, phone number, or email address they were created, sent or received from, if they pertain to the topics above.

Production Instructions

For electronic records, please provide the records in their original electronic form attached to an email or downloaded to an electronic medium. I can provide the electronic medium and arrange to pick up the records. For hard copy records, please attach copies to an email as a .PDF, or I can arrange to pick up the hard copies.

I am requesting a waiver of all fees as the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest. This will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of ACPARS and its potential ramifications. The records may be written about and published to the Internet.

If this waiver is denied, I am willing to pay a reasonable fee to produce the requested records. If that fee is more than \$100, please notify me before production.

Please provide the records or a response within 20 business days. Please email to evlondo@checksandbalancesproject.org rather than U.S. Mail so I can review as quickly as possible.

If access to the records I am requesting will take longer than 20 business days, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or can inspect the requested records. If this request is denied in whole or in part, please explain the reasons for this determination and notify me of all appeals procedures available by law.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with my request. Please contact me with any questions whatsoever. In addition to email, you can reach me by phone at 504-521-7440.

Regards,



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