

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Office of FOIA Services

November 30, 2023

Mr. Alexander Yon

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

Request No. 23-02947-FOIA

Dear Mr. Yon:

This letter responds to your request, dated July 22, 2023, and received in this office on July 24, 2023, for all emails to/from anyone in OFS regarding Meta Materials/Torchlight from December 9, 2022 to July 21, 2023.

We will be unable to respond to your request within the Freedom of Information Act's twenty day statutory time period, as there are unusual circumstances which impact on our ability to quickly process your request. Therefore, we are invoking the 10 day extension. These unusual circumstances are: (a) the need to search for and collect records from an organization geographically separated from this office; (b) the potential volume of records responsive to your request; and (c) the need for consultation with two or more other offices having a substantial interest in either the determination or the subject matter of the records. For these reasons, we will process your case consistent with the order in which we received your request.

We have identified approximately 10.6 gigabytes (equivalent to approximately 636,000 pages<sup>1</sup>) of emails that may be responsive to your request. Under the FOIA, you are considered an "Other Use" requester. As such, you are entitled to two (2) hours of search time and 100 pages free of charge. Once these entitlements are met you are required to pay search and duplication fees, in accordance with our fee schedule.

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