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VIA EMAIL



Securities and Exchange Commission
Office of FOIA Services
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Re: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

To whom it may concern:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 et seq., I request access to and copies of the forms of records listed below:

- "direct messages" or "DMs" sent from official, verified SEC Twitter accounts for calendar year 2018
- "direct messages" or "DMs" sent to official, verified SEC Twitter accounts for calendar year 2018

This information is being sought for dissemination to the general public in MarketWatch's website, marketwatch.com. As a representative of the news media I am only required to pay for the direct cost of duplication after the first 100 pages. Through this request, I am attempting to determine the extent to which various U.S. government agencies use social media accounts to communicate with the public.

I agree to pay reasonable duplication fees for the processing of this request. Please notify me if duplication fees for this request are expected to exceed \$25.00.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act. I will also expect you to release all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

As I am making this request as a journalist and this information is of timely value, I would appreciate your communicating with me by telephone or electronic mail, rather than by postal mail, if you have questions regarding this request.

I look forward to your reply within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

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Office of FOIA Services

August 10, 2018

Mr. Max Cherney
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201 California St.
San Francisco, CA 94111

Re: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552
Request No. **18-02365-FOIA**

Dear Mr. Cherney:

This letter is in response to your request, dated July 03, 2018, and received in this office on July 05, 2018, for copies of "direct messages" or "DMs" sent from or to official, verified SEC Twitter accounts for calendar year 2018.

Based on the information you provided in your letter, we conducted a thorough search of the SEC's various systems of records, but did not locate or identify any information responsive to your request.

If you still have reason to believe that the SEC maintains the type of information you seek, please provide us with additional information, which could prompt another search. Otherwise, we conclude that no responsive information exists and we consider this request to be closed.

You have the right to appeal the adequacy of our search or finding of no responsive information 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 https://www.sec.gov/forms/request_appeal, 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. Also, send a copy to the SEC Office of the General Counsel, Mail Stop 9612, or deliver it to Room 1120 at the Station Place address.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at moodyd@sec.gov or (202) 551-8355. You may also contact me at foiapa@sec.gov or (202) 551-7900. You also have the right to seek assistance from Aaron Taylor at (202) 551-7900 as a FOIA Public Liaison for this office, or contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) for dispute resolution services. OGIS can be reached at 1-877-684-6448 or Archives.gov or via e-mail at ogis@nara.gov.

Sincerely,



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