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OFFICE OF
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SUPPORT

Austin R Evers
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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request **EPA-2020-005911**

Mr. Austin R Evers,

This letter regards Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request EPA-2020-005911 asking for: "copies of any SF-50 forms for any political appointees at the GS-13 level or higher at your agency reflecting a change to a permanent competitive, nonpolitical excepted service, or career SES position; records sufficient to identify any requests to OPM (including any approvals, rejections, or other responses from OPM) to appoint any current or former (within five years) Executive Branch political appointees at the GS-13 level or higher to permanent competitive, non-political excepted service, or career SES position (including but not limited to any pre-appointment request checklist forms OPM 5000 or 5001, or other forms used for the requests, documentation submitted with the requests, and decisions conveyed in response to the request); records sufficient to identify any requests to OPM (including any approvals, rejections, or other responses from OPM) under 5 CFR § 3318(a), (c)(1), for approval to pass over a preference eligible or object to an eligible (including but not limited to any forms SF-62 or other forms used for the request, documentation submitted with the requests, and decisions conveyed in response to the request)."

The Office of Mission Support (OMS) has conducted a search and found no records responsive to your request.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this determination by email at hq.foia@epa.gov, or by mail to the EPA's National FOIA Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A), Washington, DC 20460 or through FOIAonline if you are an account holder. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., WJC-N Building, Room 7309C, Washington, DC 20460.

Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 p.m. EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, you may seek assistance from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or call (202) 566-1667. You may also seek assistance from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email: ogis@nara.gov; telephone: (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax: (202) 741-5769. For all media inquiries, please contact press@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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