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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Telecommunications and
Information Administration
Washington, D.C. 20230

March 9, 2021

RE: NTIA FOIA 21-018 (DOC-NTIA-2021-000609)

On January 5, 2021, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), Office of the Chief Counsel, received your request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), as amended (5 U.S.C. § 552). On that same date, NTIA acknowledged receipt and sought clarification of your request. On February 16, 2021, NTIA agreed to proceed with your modified request as follows:

- The final briefing memo prepared for the transition team for the incoming Biden Administration by NTIA between the dates of December 1, 2020 and January 4, 2021.
- If no final is available (for these dates) the latest draft cover or title page from the briefing memo.

Pursuant to Department of Commerce FOIA regulations, NTIA is required to charge for fees for processing FOIA requests, 15 C.F.R § 4.11(a). Since the total fee for processing your request is below the minimum threshold of \$20.00, there is no charge for processing your request.

This is the first and final response to your request. Enclosed are 43 records in 30 electronic files. Of these, 41 records are being withheld, in part or in their entirety, under Exemption 5 of the FOIA, which protects "inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters that would not be available by law to any party other than an agency in litigation with the agency." 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5). One (1) record is being withheld as non-responsive to this request. The remaining one (1) record is being released in its entirety without redaction.

This concludes the initial determination by the Department. You have the right to appeal an adverse determination of your FOIA request. See 15 C.F.R. § 4.10(a). An appeal must be received within ninety (90) calendar days of the date of this response by the Assistant General Counsel for Employment, Litigation, and Information (AGC-ELI), U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of the General Counsel, Room 5896, 1401 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20230. You may also send your appeal by email to FOIAAppeals@doc.gov or by FOIAonline if you have an account at <http://foiaonline.gov>.

The appeal must include the following: a copy of the original request; this response to the request; a statement of the reason why the withheld records should be made available; and the reason why denial of the records was in error. The submission (including email and

FOIAonline submissions) is not complete without the required submissions. The appeal letter, the envelope, and the email subject line should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." The email, FOIAonline, and office of the AGC-ELI are monitored only on working days during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday). FOIA appeals posted to the email box, FOIAonline, or the office of the AGC-ELI after normal business hours will be deemed received on the next normal business day.

You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about FOIA mediation services. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; email at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769. You may also reach the Department's Acting FOIA Public Liaison, Bobbie Parsons, at 202-482-3257 or via email at bparsons@doc.gov, for additional assistance.

If you have any questions regarding your FOIA request, please contact Stacy Cheney, Senior Attorney Advisor, at scheney@ntia.gov.

Sincerely,



Kathy D. Smith
Chief Counsel

Enclosures



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National Telecommunications and Information Administration
ITS Funding Situation and Safety Improvements

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**National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Institute for Telecommunication Sciences – Future Work**

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National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Mobile and Field Measurements and the Advanced Communications Test Site

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National Telecommunications and Information Administration
NTIA's Engagement in 5G Standards Development

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6G & Beyond

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Telecommunications AI (Artificial Intelligence) Research and Development

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Government Systems Characterization and EMC Analysis

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Overview of the Institute for Telecommunication Sciences

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Propagation Model Improvement and Standards

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Spectrum Sharing

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gTLD Registration Data and Compliance with Privacy Laws

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NTIA's Role in the 5G Implementation Plan

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National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Supporting 5G Vendor Diversity and Open, Interoperable Networks:
International Principles and Interagency Working Group

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Communications Supply Chain Risk Information Partnership (C-SCRIP)

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National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Digital Divide: Research and Policy Options to Close Gaps in Internet Use

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Protecting Intellectual Property in the Digital Age (DMCA and Other Engagements)

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Software Transparency Multistakeholder Process and
Software Bill of Materials (SBOM)

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Team Telecom: An Executive Order has replaced the former ad hoc process to
ensure the Executive Branch reviews foreign investment license applications in a
timely and transparent way

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Implementation of Executive Order 13873, "Securing the Information and Communications Technology and Services Supply Chain"

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NTIA is the conduit for Executive Branch views to the Federal
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Notable Spectrum Repurposing Initiatives

3450-3550 MHz ("AMBIT"); 5850-5925 MHz ("5.9 GHz"); and 1675-1680 MHz

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Transition Briefing on Legislative Governance:
Spectrum Relocation Fund/Spectrum Pipeline Act/MOBILE NOW Act

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Spectrum IT Modernization

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National Spectrum Strategy

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Federal Agency and Public Sector Engagement

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NTIA-FCC Coordination

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The World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC), including
Protection of the passive weather satellite operations in the 24 GHz band/

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Ligado Networks Interference to GPS

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Spectrum: Space Policy Directives

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Radio Astronomy reports for Congress

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Jamming of Contraband Mobile Devices in Prisons

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Minority Broadband Initiative

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