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Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

March 3, 2022

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Re: FOIA Control No. 2022-000111

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for, “records including memos, emails, letters, plans, etc. concerning the sunset of the FOIAonline system in September 2022, and planned replacement of this FOIA tracking and administration capability in the FCC FOIA Office. I believe relevant records are located in the Office of the FCC Chief Information Officer or equivalent, and in the FCC FOIA Office.”¹ Your request has been assigned FOIA Control No. 2022-111.

Pursuant to section 0.461(g)(1)(iii) of the Commission’s rules, the date for responding to your request has been extended from January 5, 2022, to February 18, 2022, due to a need to consult with the Environmental Protection Agency since they have equity in records being produced and components of the Commission having substantial interest in the request.

The Office of the Managing Director and the Office of General Counsel conducted a search from November 19, 2021 through December 6, 2021 and located 37 pages responsive to your request. Some material on the pages produced herewith has been redacted due to the reasons discussed below.

Records responsive to your request were withheld or redacted under FOIA Exemption 5.² Exemption 5 protects certain inter-agency and intra-agency records that are normally considered privileged in the civil discovery context. Exemption 5 encompasses a deliberative process privilege intended to “prevent injury to the quality of agency decisions.”³ To fall within the scope of this privilege the agency records must be both predecisional and deliberative.⁴ Predecisional records must have been “prepared in order to assist an agency decision maker in arriving at his decision.”⁵ Deliberative

¹ FOIA Control No. 2022-000111 (Submitted December 6, 2021).

² 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5).

³ *NLRB v. Sears Roebuck & Co.*, 421 U.S. 132, 151 (1975).

⁴ *Id.* at 151-52.

⁵ *Formaldehyde Inst. v. Dep’t of Health and Human Servs.*, 889 F.2d 1118, 1122 (D.C. Cir. 1989); *see also Coastal States Gas Corp. v. Dep’t of Energy*, 617 F.2d 854, 866 (D.C. Cir. 1980) (“In deciding whether a document should be protected by the privilege we look to whether the document is . . . generated before the adoption of an agency policy and whether . . . it reflects the give-and-take of the consultative process. The exemption thus covers recommendations, draft documents, proposals, suggestions, and other subjective documents . . .”).

records must be such that their disclosure “would expose an agency’s decision-making process in such a way as to discourage candid discussion within the agency and thereby undermine the agency’s ability to perform its functions.”⁶ Releasing the staff’s internal deliberations on the next FOIA tracking system would alter future deliberations and candid discussions crucial to agency internal decision-making.

Records responsive to your request were withheld or redacted under FOIA Exemption 6.⁷ Exemption 6 protects “personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.” Balancing the public’s right to disclosure against the individual’s right to privacy, we have determined that release of this information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Therefore, Microsoft Teams links and telephone numbers to join meetings have been redacted under Exemption 6.

We are required by both the FOIA and the Commission’s own rules to charge requesters certain fees associated with the costs of searching for, reviewing, and duplicating the sought after information.⁸ To calculate the appropriate fee, requesters are classified as: (1) commercial use requesters; (2) educational requesters, non-commercial scientific organizations, or representatives of the news media; or (3) all other requesters.⁹

Pursuant to section 0.466(a)(8) of the Commission’s rules, you have been classified for fee purposes under category (3) as an “all other requester.”¹⁰ As an “all other requester,” the Commission assesses charges to recover the full, reasonable direct cost of searching for and reproducing records that are responsive to the request; however, you are entitled to be furnished with the first 100 pages of reproduction and the first two hours of search time without charge under section 0.470(a)(3)(i) of the Commission’s rules.¹¹ The production in response to your request required less than two hours of search time, and was provided in electronic form. Therefore, you will not be charged any fees.

If you consider this to be a denial of your FOIA request, you may seek review by filing an application for review with the Office of General Counsel. An application for review must be *received* by the Commission within 90 calendar days of the date of this letter.¹² You may file an application for review by mailing the application to Federal Communications Commission, Office of General Counsel, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554, or you may file your application for review electronically by e-mailing it to FOIA-Appeal@fcc.gov. Please caption the envelope (or subject line, if via e-mail) and the application itself as “Review of Freedom of Information Action.”

⁶ *Formaldehyde Inst.*, 889 F.2d at 1122 (quoting *Dudman Commc’ns Corp. v. Dep’t of the Air Force*, 815 F.2d 1565, 1568 (D.C. Cir. 1987)).

⁷ 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6).

⁸ See 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A); 47 CFR § 0.470.

⁹ 47 CFR § 0.470.

¹⁰ 47 CFR § 0.466(a)(8).

¹¹ 47 CFR § 0.470(a)(3)(i).

¹² 47 CFR §§ 0.461(j), 1.115; 47 CFR § 1.7 (documents are considered filed with the Commission upon their receipt at the location designated by the Commission).

If you would like to discuss this response before filing an application for review to attempt to resolve your dispute without going through the appeals process, you may contact the Commission's FOIA Public Liaison for assistance at:

FOIA Public Liaison
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Managing Director
Performance Evaluation and Records Management
45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554
202-418-0440
FOIA-Public-Liaison@fcc.gov

If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through the Commission's FOIA Public Liaison, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), the Federal FOIA Ombudsman's office, offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. The contact information for OGIS is:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS
College Park, MD 20740-6001
202-741-5770
877-684-6448
ogis@nara.gov
<https://www.archives.gov/ogis>

Sincerely,

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Vanessa Lamb

Vanessa Lamb
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Enclosure(s)
Cc: EPA

Stephanie Kost

From: Stephanie Kost
Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:46 AM
To: Thompson, BrianK
Subject: Accepted: FOIA Management Software Demonstration- Tyler Technologies (FOIAonline Partners)

Stephanie Kost

From: Stephanie Kost
Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 4:29 PM
To: Thompson, BrianK
Subject: Accepted: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Stephanie Kost

From: Stephanie Kost
Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 7:39 AM
To: Thompson, BrianK
Subject: Accepted: FOIAXpress Demonstration (FOIAonline Partners)

Stephanie Kost

From: Stephanie Kost
Sent: Friday, November 19, 2021 3:57 PM
To: Vanessa Lamb
Subject: FOIA and Deloitte

<https://www2.deloitte.com/us/en/pages/advisory/solutions/discovery-foia-services.html>

Stephanie Kost

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Cc: Johnson, Laura-S; Wheeler, Ashley; Edwards, Jeff
Subject: FOIAonline Advisory Board Contacts & Case Management Solutions
Attachments: Potential FOIA Case Management Solutions.pdf; FOIAonline Advisory Board Contacts.pdf

Good morning and happy Friday.

You are receiving this email because you are listed as a point of contact for your Agency/Department as a representative for the FOIAonline Advisory Board or your point-of-contact has asked that you be included in the emails and meeting invites for the FOIAonline Advisory Board. During our FOIAonline discussion this past Tuesday there was interest by many of you to have each other's contact information. Therefore, attached to this email you will see a PDF titled "FOIAonline Advisory Board Contacts". This is the most updated information we have and in some cases we have been asked to include multiple individuals from a single Agency/Department. If you have changes to your list and/or would like to designate a single point of contact, please let me know by COB Friday December 10th and include Laura Johnson and Ashley Wheeler in your response (both are cc'd on this email). If there are any changes I will send an updated list the week of December 13th.

In addition, you all should have received and will continue to receive invitations to participate in demonstrations from potential vendors that offer FOIA case management solutions. I have attached, as requested, a list of potential FOIA case management solutions and where I have it, the contact information for each. All of the ones for which I have contact information for have agreed to provide a demonstration by the end of January 2022 and I am working to schedule those. In addition, I am waiting to hear back from the remaining potential vendors on that list and will share updated contact information as it becomes available.

As always, if there anything that Jeff, Laura, Jasper or I can do for you or if you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out.

-Brian

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FOIA Case Management Solutions

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Armedia FOIA	https://armedia.com/solution/foia/		
GovQA	https://www.govqa.com/		
JustFOIA	https://www.justfoia.com/		
Merpsystems (VFOIA Tracker)	https://www.merpsystems.com/foia-solution	Prem Nair	pnair@merpsystems.com
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Stephanie Kost

Subject: FW: FOIA Management Software Demonstration- Tyler Technologies (FOIAonline Partners)
Location: Teams Meeting (Hosted by Tyler Technologies, not EPA)

Start: Wed 1/12/2022 1:30 PM
End: Wed 1/12/2022 3:00 PM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Thompson, BrianK

Hi Chris,

Forwarding the Teams meeting hosted by Tyler Technologies.

Thanks,
Stephanie

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Thompson, BrianK <Thompson.BrianK@epa.gov>

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:02 AM

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Subject: FOIA Management Software Demonstration- Tyler Technologies (FOIAonline Partners)

When: Wednesday, January 12, 2022 1:30 PM-3:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Teams Meeting (Hosted by Tyler Technologies, not EPA)

This demonstration will be hosted by Tyler Technologies / Tyler Federal on their MS-Teams, not by FOIAonline or EPA's MS-Teams. The meeting information is below.

The purpose of this demonstration is to provide an overview of Tyler Federal's FOIA Tracker/case management solution.

For more information on this FOIA solution, you can look at their website: <https://www.tylertech.com/solutions/courts-public-safety/courts-justice/investigations-audits/foia>

-Brian

Microsoft Teams meeting

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Stephanie Kost

Subject: FW: FOIA Tracker Demonstration – MERP Systems (FOIAonline Partners)
Location: Teams Meeting (Hosted by MERP Systems, not EPA)

Start: Wed 1/5/2022 1:00 PM
End: Wed 1/5/2022 2:00 PM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Thompson, BrianK

Hi Chris,

Forwarding the Teams meeting hosted by MERP Systems.

Thanks,
Stephanie

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From: Thompson, BrianK <Thompson.BrianK@epa.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 7:38 PM

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The purpose of this demonstration is to provide an overview of MERP Systems FOIA Tracker/case management solution.

For more information on MERP systems FOIA solution, you can look at their website: <https://www.merpsystems.com/foia-solution>

-Brian

Microsoft Teams meeting

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Stephanie Kost

From: Stephanie Kost
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:41 PM
To: Benish Shah
Subject: FW: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future
Attachments: Partner Meeting Agenda 11.30.2021.pdf

Hi Benish,

I'm assuming you got the email from EPA but thought I would forward.

Thanks,
Stephanie

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Subject: RE: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Good morning everyone,

Attached, please find an agenda for today's 1:00pm ET meeting. I look forward to our discussion in a few hours.

-Brian

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Location: Teams Meeting (Hosted by FOIAXpress, not EPA)

Start: Wed 12/15/2021 1:00 PM
End: Wed 12/15/2021 3:00 PM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Thompson, BrianK

Good Morning Chris,

Forwarding the Teams meeting for FOIAXpress.

Thanks,
Stephanie

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Subject: FOIAXpress Demonstration (FOIAonline Partners)

When: Wednesday, December 15, 2021 1:00 PM-3:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Teams Meeting (Hosted by FOIAXpress, not EPA)

This demonstration will be hosted by FOIAXpress on their MS-Teams, not by FOIAonline or EPA's MS-Teams. The meeting information is below.

The purpose of this demonstration is to provide an overview of the FOIAXpress case management solution as well as other features it has. The length of the meeting is to ensure there is plenty of time for questions.

For more information on FOIAXpress, you can look at their website: <https://www.ains.com/foiaexpress/>

-Brian

Microsoft Teams meeting

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The purpose of this two-day event is to identify FOIA technology solutions for federal agencies in response to existing FOIA case processing challenges raised through the Technology Committee's research. Additionally, the event is intended to help federal agencies better understand the promise of artificial intelligence and advanced/emerging technology for case processing.

On the first day of the showcase, FOIA practitioners and industry partners will share issues, insights, and explore potential solutions in the following areas:

- eDiscovery/electronic record search tools
- Case processing tools (including the collection of records to review for redaction and posting accessible 508 compliant releases)
- Redaction tools (including tools that allow for automatic redaction of similar forms and record types including paper, digital content, videos, data, etc.)
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools that may assist with FOIA case processing.

On the second day, attendees will discuss how these tools can improve agency FOIA programs in the following ways:

- The future of FOIA
- Improved public FOIA reading rooms/websites
- Improving the FOIA customer experience

Stephanie Kost

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Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:13 AM
To: Thompson, BrianK
Cc: Edwards, Jeff; Johnson, Laura-S; Jones, Jasper; Perkins, Shannon
Subject: RE: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future
Attachments: Partner Meeting Agenda 11.30.2021.pdf

Good morning everyone,

Attached, please find an agenda for today's 1:00pm ET meeting. I look forward to our discussion in a few hours.

-Brian

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*FOIAonline Partner Meeting
Sunsetting Overview and Next Steps*

November 30, 2021
1:00pm – 2:00pm
Teams Meeting

Agenda

- I. Sunset Announcement
- II. Meeting Purpose and Structure
- III. Sunsetting Decision Rationale
- IV. Overview of Sunsetting Schedule
- V. FOIAonline Sunsetting Support
 - a. Partner input and feedback will help drive the communications and FOIAonline support elements of this transition.
 - b. Partner needs/concerns/questions/requests related to sunsetting should be sent to our FOIAonline team (Jeff, Jasper, and Laura). This allows for a central focal point for these communications and allows our contractors and help desk to maintain focus on everyday operations. Please don't go through our contractors or help desk, as they need to maintain focus on everyday FOIAonline operations.
- VI. Upcoming meetings and events

Meeting: We would like to host a series of meetings to feed you information and to address your information needs. Thus far, **some proposed meeting topics for the near future include** (meetings will take place every two weeks):

 - **Sunsetting Process Logistics/Timing (tentatively scheduled for early January 2022):**
Phasing/timing of sunsetting that includes timing for last year-end report, migrating data, and a code freeze. Accessibility to data after sunsetting, public notifications
 - To be Scheduled in late January 2022
 - **Budget and MOUs/MOAs:**
 - **Case Management Alternatives:**



Event: NexGen FOIA Tech Showcase in February 2022

The information that we have on this event is as follows:

The Chief FOIA Officers (CFO) Council's Technology Committee, in conjunction with The Office of Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration and the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of Information Policy (OIP), are hosting an event for federal agencies in February 2022 called the **NexGen FOIA Tech Showcase**.

Microsoft Teams meeting

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From: Johnson, Laura-S <Johnson.Laura-S@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 6:28 AM
To: Stephanie Kost
Subject: Re: Follow up: FOIAonline Next Steps Meeting

Good morning Stephnie,
I didn't want you to think this feel through the cracks... I plan to look into this more today. I'll be sure to keep you apprised.

From: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 7:27 AM
To: Johnson, Laura-S <Johnson.Laura-S@epa.gov>; Thompson, BrianK <Thompson.BrianK@epa.gov>
Cc: Edwards, Jeff <Edwards.Jeff@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Follow up: FOIAonline Next Steps Meeting

Thanks so much, Laura.

From: Johnson, Laura-S <Johnson.Laura-S@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 6:00 PM
To: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>; Thompson, BrianK <Thompson.BrianK@epa.gov>
Cc: Edwards, Jeff <Edwards.Jeff@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Follow up: FOIAonline Next Steps Meeting

Great question, Stephanie. I will look into it and get back to you, as well as include that information in future Partner communications. Thanks so much for pointing out that critical bit of information!!!

From: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 3:10 PM
To: Thompson, BrianK <Thompson.BrianK@epa.gov>
Cc: Edwards, Jeff <Edwards.Jeff@epa.gov>; Johnson, Laura-S <Johnson.Laura-S@epa.gov>
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Stephanie Kost

From: Stephanie Kost
Sent: Friday, November 19, 2021 7:28 AM
To: 'Edwards, Jeff'
Subject: RE: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Good Morning Jeff,

Surprised to hear this news and looking forward to the meeting. We are going to miss FOIAonline and working with you.

Thanks,
Stephanie

From: Thompson, BrianK <Thompson.BrianK@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 3:44 PM
To: Edwards, Jeff <Edwards.Jeff@epa.gov>; Johnson, Laura-S <Johnson.Laura-S@epa.gov>; Jones, Jasper <Jones.Jasper@epa.gov>; Perkins, Shannon <perkins.shannon@epa.gov>
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Thank you, and as always, please feel free to reach out to me at any time.

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To: Johnson, Laura-S
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Good Morning Laura,

I appreciate the follow up.

Thanks,
Stephanie

From: Johnson, Laura-S <Johnson.Laura-S@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 7:35 AM
To: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
Subject: Re: Follow up: FOIAonline Next Steps Meeting

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From: Stephanie Kost
Sent: Friday, November 19, 2021 12:57 PM
To: Vanessa Lamb
Subject: FOIA

<https://www2.deloitte.com/us/en/pages/about-deloitte/articles/press-releases/deloitte-launches-new-proprietary-solution-on-relativity-to-help-manage-records-disclosure-and-data-privacy.html>

Stephanie Kost

From: Vanessa Lamb
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 11:20 AM
To: Mark Stephens; Mindy Ginsburg
Subject: RE: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Good Morning – will do.

Vanessa

From: Mark Stephens <Mark.Stephens@fcc.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 10:27 AM
To: Mindy Ginsburg <Mindy.Ginsburg@fcc.gov>; Vanessa Lamb <Vanessa.Lamb@fcc.gov>
Subject: RE: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Yes – please include Shaun.

Thx.

From: Mindy Ginsburg <Mindy.Ginsburg@fcc.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 9:02 AM
To: Mark Stephens <Mark.Stephens@fcc.gov>; Vanessa Lamb <Vanessa.Lamb@fcc.gov>
Subject: RE: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Should IT be part of this conversation?

From: Mark Stephens <Mark.Stephens@fcc.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 9:01 AM
To: Vanessa Lamb <Vanessa.Lamb@fcc.gov>; Mindy Ginsburg <Mindy.Ginsburg@fcc.gov>
Subject: RE: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Vanessa – can you please schedule a meeting to discuss this issue.

Thx.

From: Vanessa Lamb <Vanessa.Lamb@fcc.gov>
Sent: Friday, November 19, 2021 2:06 PM
To: Mark Stephens <Mark.Stephens@fcc.gov>; Mindy Ginsburg <Mindy.Ginsburg@fcc.gov>
Subject: FW: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Hi Mark and Mindy,

Got word that FOIAonline will sunset by the end of FY23. My team and I will be joining the FOIAonline partners for a meeting on November 30th to discuss the transition. Meanwhile, I will reach out to Georgette Sumpter to make her aware and to initiate discussions about possible solutions to replace the system.

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Vanessa

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Stephanie Kost

From: Vanessa Lamb
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 2:23 PM
To: Georgette Sumpter
Subject: RE: FOIAonline

No worries. Do you have time for a quick call?

From: Georgette Sumpter <Georgette.Sumpter@fcc.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 1:43 PM
To: Vanessa Lamb <Vanessa.Lamb@fcc.gov>
Subject: RE: FOIAonline

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From: Vanessa Lamb <Vanessa.Lamb@fcc.gov>
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Okay. Will send you an invite for sometime tomorrow.

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Yes please.

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They have started to schedule demonstrations of possible replacement options. The first one is Dec. 15th (FOIAExpress) and there are two in the first two weeks of January. Would you like to attend any of these? I can forward the meeting invites to you.

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From: Stephanie Kost
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To: Christopher Santini
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From: Christopher Santini <Christopher.Santini@fcc.gov>
Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 12:28 PM
To: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
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From: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 10:00 AM
To: Christopher Santini <Christopher.Santini@fcc.gov>
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From: Christopher Santini <Christopher.Santini@fcc.gov>
Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 9:54 AM
To: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
Subject: RE: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

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From: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 9:52 AM
To: Christopher Santini <Christopher.Santini@fcc.gov>
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Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 9:21 AM
To: Christopher Santini <Christopher.Santini@fcc.gov>
Subject: FW: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Good Morning Chris,

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Thanks,
Stephanie

From: Thompson, BrianK <Thompson.BrianK@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 3:44 PM
To: Edwards, Jeff <Edwards.Jeff@epa.gov>; Johnson, Laura-S <Johnson.Laura-S@epa.gov>; Jones, Jasper <Jones.Jasper@epa.gov>; Perkins, Shannon <perkins.shannon@epa.gov>
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Stephanie Kost

From: Benish Shah
Sent: Friday, November 19, 2021 9:12 AM
To: Stephanie Kost
Subject: Re: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Hi Stephanie-

I received this email last night as well. This caught me off guard! I knew we would eventually update our system but not this soon.

Thanks,
Benish

From: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
Sent: Friday, November 19, 2021 9:05 AM
To: Benish Shah <Benish.Shah@fcc.gov>
Subject: FW: FOIAonline Next Steps and Future

Good Morning Benish,

Looks as though we will have to find a new tracking system.

Thanks,
Stephanie

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Stephanie Kost

From: Stephanie Kost
Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 11:19 AM
To: Christopher Santini
Subject: RE: Follow up: FOIAonline Next Steps Meeting

Will do, Chris.

From: Christopher Santini <Christopher.Santini@fcc.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 10:50 AM
To: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
Subject: RE: Follow up: FOIAonline Next Steps Meeting

Thanks, Stephanie. (b) (5)

Thanks again!

From: Stephanie Kost <Stephanie.Kost@fcc.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 7:50 AM
To: Christopher Santini <Christopher.Santini@fcc.gov>
Subject: FW: Follow up: FOIAonline Next Steps Meeting

Hi Chris,

Forwarding an email regarding next steps for FOIAonline.

Thanks,
Stephanie

From: Thompson, BrianK <Thompson.BrianK@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 3:00 PM
To: Thompson, BrianK <Thompson.BrianK@epa.gov>
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Subject: Follow up: FOIAonline Next Steps Meeting

Good afternoon,

I wanted to again thank everyone for your time yesterday and the terrific discussion that we had. The FOIAonline program staff will be working to get a lot of the information requested out by the end of this week.

- All FOIAonline user main POCs will be receiving a list of all main POCs by Friday.
- All FOIAonline user main POCs will be receiving a list of potential vendors we are currently aware of by Friday.
- Everyone on this email chain will be receiving invitations to demonstrations by some of the potential vendors of their solutions/tools (those that have responded to our inquiries). This will begin once dates/times are set.

I also want to make another pitch for everyone to attend the Chief FOIA Officer Technology Committee's NexGen FOIA Tech Showcase in February. After yesterday's call I reached back out to the Technology Committee to make sure I understood the types of potential vendors/solutions that will be present at the showcase. I am letting you know that case management solutions will be present at the showcase.

You can read the [blog post here](#) where the Technology Committee first announced the RFI's publication ([link to RFI](#)). It is a multi-faceted RFI that seeks vendor submissions on 7 different topics, including case management. The deadline was extended from 11/23 to 12/8 due to the Thanksgiving shuffle and so far there are about 9 sets of submissions from vendors, most of which cover more than a single topic. It is anticipated that additional submissions will come in over the next 7 days and the Technology Committee is excited with the submissions thus far.

Jeff, Laura, Jasper and I are committed to helping you make this transition as smooth and seamless as possible. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions. We expect to have our next Partner meeting in mid-January to provide additional information, outline our next steps, and continue to listen to your feedback and answer outstanding questions. We will also be holding a Change Control Board meeting the week of December 13th to discuss requirements and needs surrounding Record Schedules that may impact exports, migrations and the transitions. In addition, beginning in January and continuing through March, we will reach out to schedule a one-on-one technical consultation with each partners for an hour, if they feel that would be helpful.

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