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From: **Robert Tobiassen** <robert.tobiassen@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, May 3, 2019 at 2:48 PM

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]Fwd: FOIA Request 2019-04-143

To: Mason, Quinton <Quinton.Mason@ttb.gov>

Cc: TTB FOIA Inquiries <TTBFOIAInquiries@ttb.gov>, Greenberg, Amy R. <Amy.Greenberg@ttb.gov>

Thank you very much for the prompt clarification and confirmation. Best, Rob

Sent from my iPhone

On May 3, 2019, at 2:32 PM, Mason, Quinton <Quinton.Mason@ttb.gov> wrote:

Robert,

Per our telephone conversation today at/or around 2:03 pm, you were advised that the box concerning, "Documents are being released without cost," was checked in error. As such, with regard to fees, please follow the advisement that was provided in our acknowledgement letter dated May, 2, 2019.

With regard to your comment, "Several boxes are 'checked' off on that form...and that exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and (b)(5) are being exercised." Per our conversation you were advised there were no other boxes that were checked off other than the one we discussed above. You responded, "when I print the document, some of the boxes are grayed out and some are brown." I advised you that no boxes had an "X" and therefore, no exemptions were being exercised.

If you have additional questions, let me know.

Regards,

Quinton S. Mason, CIPP/G

Disclosure Program Manager

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From: Robert Tobiassen <robert.tobiassen@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, May 3, 2019 12:43 PM

To: TTB FOIA Inquiries <TTBFOIAInquiries@ttb.gov>; Mason, Quinton <Quinton.Mason@ttb.gov>; Greenberg, Amy R. <Amy.Greenberg@ttb.gov>

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Dear Quinton and Amy,

First thank you for responding so promptly to my initial request and for advising me on the next steps.

Just to confirm my understanding, you are advising me that TTB will not furnish the requested information to me at no charge. I believe that is what you are advising.

However, confusion arising from the attachment (below) of the form sheet on FOIA disclosures. Several boxes are "checked" off on that form. Box 4 advises that "Documents are being released: ... without cost." And that exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and (b)(5) are being exercised.

That being the case, would you please confirm to me what is TTB's position on whether you will charge me for the requested information. A response ASAP would be appreciated so I may decide on my next steps here. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robert Tobiassen

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From: **TTB FOIA Inquiries** <TTBFOIAInquiries@ttb.gov>
Date: Thu, May 2, 2019 at 4:15 PM
Subject: FOIA Request 2019-04-143
To: robert.tobiassen@gmail.com <robert.tobiassen@gmail.com>

Hi Mr. Tobiassen,

This email is to acknowledge receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) dated April 21, 2019 and received in this office on April 22, 2019. Attached are the following documents in response to your request:

- 1) TTB signed response letter; and
- 2) Document Cover Sheet with your appeal rights outlined on the reverse side.

If you have any questions regarding this response, let me know.

Regards,

Quinton S. Mason, CIPP/US/G

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