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To: "Booher, Darrin L Civ USAF AFMC 88 CG/SCOKI" <Darrin.Booher@WPAFB.AF.MIL>
Cc: <chris.kennerly@pentagon.af.mil>
Sent: Monday, May 03, 2010 7:50 AM
Subject: Re: Read: FOIA request 2010-04185-F ST3

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From: "Booher, Darrin L Civ USAF AFMC 88 CG/SCOKI" <Darrin.Booher@WPAFB.AF.MIL>
To: "Jed Margolin" <margolin@jmargolin.com>
Sent: Monday, May 03, 2010 3:58 AM
Subject: RE: Read: FOIA request 2010-04185-F ST3

> Mr. Margolin,
> Please consider this request closed.
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Dear Mr. Booher.

I suggest you ask TSgt Kennerly if you really want to close my FOIA Request.

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P.S. - Considering the amount of coverage the national media gave to the X-37B launch your statement that the subject appeals only to a "small segment of interested persons" is obviously wrong. See this article in the LA Times. The article was published even before the X-37B was launched.
<http://articles.latimes.com/2010/apr/21/business/la-fi-0422-space-plane-20100421>

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From: Jed Margolin
To: chris.kennerly@pentagon.af.mil
Sent: Tuesday, April 27, 2010 12:06 PM
Subject: Fw: Mr. Booher's email

Dear Tech Sergeant Kennerly,

Thank you for the very nice conversation we had yesterday.

I received an email this morning from Mr. Darrin L. Booher at Wright Patterson this morning.

It was not so nice.

He wrote:

"There is no contribution to an understanding of the subject by the general public, but rather a small segment of interested persons. Requestor doesn't appear to have the capability to, or intention to, disseminate this information to the general public. Furthermore, there is no significant contribution to the public if it were widely released. Therefore, the request for a waiver of fees is denied."

He hasn't seen my article "How the United States Air Force Treats Independent Inventors." I have only now started writing it.

His statement, "Requestor doesn't appear to have the capability to, or intention to, disseminate this information to the general public[,]" suggests he hasn't seen my web site (www.jmargolin.com), and in particular, my article on NASA (How NASA Treats Independent Inventors).

Either that or he has decided to deliberately insult me.

I recommend he also visit my other Web sites: www.cordevistahoa.org and www.storeycountywindfarms.org

I set up these Web sites to address issues that are important to my County (Storey County, NV).

www.cordevistahoa.org documents how a Developer came into my County (population 4,600) and proposed to build housing for 50,000 people.

One of the issues was water. Water is always an issue here in the West, especially in Nevada. We don't have much. The Developer refused to say where he was going to get water for 50,000 people. He also was not honest about the issue of soil contamination from the site's previous owners, which included Curtis Wright and Aerojet.

The Storey County Planning Commission publicly thanked me for putting up the Web site, saying it had helped them make their decision. (A grassroots movement against the project also helped.)

The Planning Commission turned down the Developer's application. The Storey County Commissioners accepted the Planning Commission's recommendations. The Developer sued Storey County. The Developer lost. The Developer appealed to the Nevada Supreme Court. Before the case was heard the Developer settled with the County. The Developer agreed to follow the existing zoning and the County agreed to allow for green energy development.

www.storeycountywindfarms.org contains the documents for a BLM project with Great Basin Wind to put up a wind farm of 69 enormous wind turbines. Some of them would be less than 1 mile from Virginia City. (The entire town of Virginia City is a National Historic Landmark.)

Some of the towers would be less than 1 mile from my neighborhood, which Great Basin Wind left off their map.

The project appears to be stalled:

http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/carson_city_field/blm_programs/planning/new_comstock_wind.html

Part of the reason for this may be because I showed that Great Basin Wind lied on their project application.

For Mr. Booher to question my abilities, my intentions, or my resolve is a mistake.

Mr. Booher's email follows.

Regards,

Jed Margolin

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From: "Booher, Darrin L Civ USAF AFMC 88 CG/SCOKI" <Darrin.Booher@WPAFB.AF.MIL>

To: <jm@margolin.com>

Sent: Tuesday, April 27, 2010 4:44 AM

Subject: Ref: FOIA request 2010-04185-F ST3

Mr. Margolin,

We received your FOIA request, dated 26 Apr 10, in our office at Wright-Patterson AFB, OH on 26 Apr 10. The control number assigned to your request is 2010-04185-F ST3. I am the analyst assigned to your request, please contact me if you have any questions. In your request you had requested a Fee Waiver, after consideration from our FOIA Manager, the following information is supplied:

"There is no contribution to an understanding of the subject by the general public, but rather a small segment of interested persons. Requestor doesn't appear to have the capability to, or intention to, disseminate this information to the general public. Furthermore, there is no significant contribution to the public if it were widely released. Therefore, the request for a waiver of fees is denied."

With that, DOD 5400.7/AF Supplement 1, states that a willingness to pay statement must be included:

Fee Issue: Request must indicate a willingness to pay fees associated with the processing of your request. As described in DoD Regulation 5400.7/Air Force Supplement, Paragraph C1.4.2. DoD FOIA Program, "Requestors should indicate a willingness to pay fees associated with the processing of their request or, in the alternative, why a waiver of fees may be appropriate." You will be contacted if the cost to provide the requested document(s) exceeds the amount authorized by you.

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Please respond to this correspondence indicating which fee category is appropriate for you and the dollar amount that you are willing to pay by 30 Apr 10, if you do not respond by this date, we will consider your request closed. In some instances (cost to provide requested documents exceed \$250.00 or the requester has no prior payment history), payment

may be requested before any documents are released to you.

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