

July 17, 1997

Michael Ravnitzky
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St. Paul, MN 55102

Re: FOIA Request Dated July 8, 1997

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

Because our FOIA officer is out of the office this month, I am responding to your FOIA request dated July 8, 1997. It is my understanding that you are requesting a list of the recipients of ARRB press releases.

Your FOIA request is hereby being granted in part and denied in part. The vast majority of the persons to whom we send press releases are private individuals who have requested information about the Review Board's activities. To the extent that your request would require us to identify individuals, or to the extent that it would require us to provide information that would identify private individuals, we are not making that information available. We are declining to provide information identifying individuals under the privacy exception, 552(b)(6), of the Freedom of Information Act

Although we are not obligated under FOIA to create new lists, we nevertheless have attempted to generate for you information regarding the commercial institutions and other associations to whom we send our press releases. We are sending this information to you in two formats (which reflect the manner in which we send press releases). The first format is a list of those to whom we fax press releases. The second format identifies the institutions and organizations to whom we mail press releases. We are not, however, providing the names of the individuals at these institutions or their telephone numbers. Where we have information in our system that includes the addresses of institutions and associations to whom we mail press releases, we are providing that information to you.

The enclosed information is being provided to you at no cost.

Sincerely yours,

T. Jeremy Gunn
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