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RE: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552  
Request No. 2002-3351

Dear Mr. Ferroggiaro:

This letter is in response to your request, dated September 4, 2002, and received in this office on September 6, 2002, for all records, including but not limited to guidance or directives, memoranda, training materials, or legal analyses, concerning the Commission's implementation of US Attorney General John Ashcroft's October 12, 2001 memorandum on the US Freedom of Information Act.

At this time, we have no information responsive to your request. If you still have reason to believe that the Commission maintains the type of information you seek, please provide us with additional information which could prompt another search. Otherwise, we conclude that no responsive information exists and we consider this request to be closed.

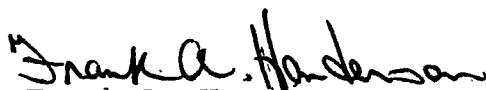
You have the right to appeal the adequacy of our search or finding of no responsive information, to our General Counsel under 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6), 17 CFR § 200.80(d)(5) and (6). Your appeal must be in writing, clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal," and should identify the records at issue. The appeal may include facts and authorities you consider appropriate.

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Send your appeal to the FOIA/Privacy Act Office, Securities and Exchange Commission, Operations Center, 6432 General Green Way, Mail Stop O-5, Alexandria, VA 22312-2413, or deliver it to Room 1418 at that address. Also, send a copy to our General Counsel, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549-0207, or deliver it to Room 1012-B at that address.

If you have any questions, please call Ms. Felecia Taylor of my staff at (202) 942-4339.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank A. Henderson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "F".

Frank A. Henderson  
FOIA/Privacy Act Branch Chief