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Subject: Public Records Request

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Attachments: 12.14.2020 VT OAG Consumer Protection Agreement Request.pdf

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Please see the attached public records request.

Sincerely, Neal Cornett

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REQUEST UNDER VERMONT PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

December 14, 2020

Vermont Attorney General's Office

109 State Street

Montpelier, VT 05609-1001

By Electronic Mail: ago.info@vermont.gov

**Re:** Certain Agreements

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Energy Policy Advocates (EPA), recognized by the Internal Revenue

Service as a non-profit public policy institute under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code,

and pursuant to the Vermont Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. §§315-320, please provide copies of

all common interest agreements, confidentiality agreements, information sharing agreements,

and/or non-disclosure agreements addressing consumer protection, consumer fraud and/or failure

to warn claims, and/or any possible legal actions about the same, which were entered into by the

Vermont Attorney General's Office at any time in 2019 or 2020.

We understand that in some instances a public body may charge a fee for the cost of the

search, examination, review, copying, separation of confidential from nonconfidential

information, and mailing costs. If your Office expects to seek a charge associated with the

searching, copying or production of these records, please provide an estimate of anticipated

costs.

As noted earlier in this request, EPA is a non-profit public policy organization dedicated

to informing the public of developments in the area of energy and environmental issues and

relationships between governmental and non-governmental entities as they relate to those issues.

EPA's ability to obtain fee waivers is essential to this work. EPA intends to use any responsive information to continue its work highlighting the nexus between interested non-governmental entities and government agency decision-making. The public is both interested in and entitled to know how regulatory, policy and enforcement decisions are reached. EPA ensures the public is made aware of its work and findings via its partnership with the non-profit public interest law firm Government Accountability & Oversight, P.C., and the <a href="ClimateLitigationWatch.org">ClimateLitigationWatch.org</a> project dedicated to broadly disseminating energy and environmental policy news and developments. The public information obtained by EPA and published on <a href="ClimateLitigationWatch.org">ClimateLitigationWatch.org</a> have been relied upon by established media outlets, including the Washington Times and Wall Street Journal editorial page.<sup>1</sup>

We look forward to your response. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me by email at ncornettlaw@gmail.com.

Sincerely, Neal Cornett Attorney at Law

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See, e.g., The Editorial Board, "State AGs' Climate Cover-Up" Wall Street Journal, June 7, 2019, <a href="https://www.wsj.com/articles/state-ags-climate-cover-up-11559945410">https://www.wsj.com/articles/state-ags-climate-cover-up-11559945410</a>. Valerie Richardson, "Motivated or manipulated? Rise of youth climate activism fuels alarms over exploitation" Washington Times, March 15, 2019, <a href="https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2019/mar/13/youth-climate-strike-sparks-debate-use-students-pr/">https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2019/mar/13/youth-climate-strike-sparks-debate-use-students-pr/</a>, see also "Climate Strike Sparks Debate on Use of Students as Props", <a href="https://www.realclearpolicy.com/2019/03/15/">https://www.realclearpolicy.com/2019/03/15/</a>

climate\_strike\_sparks\_debate\_on\_use\_of\_students\_as\_props\_41180.html. Valerie Richardson, "Democratic AGs team up with George Soros-funded group on anti-Trump lawsuit" Washington Times, August 1, 2019, <a href="https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2019/aug/1/george-soros-funded-group-democratic-ags-partner-a/">https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2019/aug/1/george-soros-funded-group-democratic-ags-partner-a/</a>. Anthony Watts, "Emails reveals how children become pawns of climate alarmism", Watts Up With That (two-time Science Website of the Year), March 13, 2019, <a href="https://wattsupwiththat.com/2019/03/13/emails-reveal-how-children-become-pawns-of-climate-alarmism/">https://wattsupwiththat.com/2019/03/13/emails-reveal-how-children-become-pawns-of-climate-alarmism/</a>.