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Re: Public Records Request Dated March 19, 1987

Dear Ms. Maxfield:

The Department of Justice is in receipt of your request for an opportunity to inspect and examine any investigative records possessed by the Department of Justice concerning R. A. Hatch, Robert Hatch, C.T.C., May International, and Claude and Virginia May regarding possible violations of the Davis-Bacon Act which may have occurred during the construction of the Max Lightrail System. We have completed our review of pertinent files.

We respectfully deny your Public Records Act request at this time because any and all pertinent records in the possession of the Department of Justice relate to a pending criminal investigation and are exempt from disclosure under ORS 192.500(1)(c). The public interest does not require disclosure in this particular instance. Moreover, the Department of Justice does not have any investigative records concerning C.T.C., May International, or Claude and Virginia May.

Sincerely,

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