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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order
Oregon Department of Education
DOJ File No.: 581110-GA0240-26

Dear Mr. Endress:

This letter is the Attorney General's response to your petition under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.311 to 192.431. Your petition asks the Attorney General to order the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to disclose certain communications. Your petition explains your belief that ODE should have email correspondence between two individuals. You request that "ODE rerun" the search for these records because the agency may have potentially failed to include emails that certain individuals were copied on.

In response to your petition, we contacted ODE. ODE indicated that it conducted the search you requested a second time, and it again returned no results. Your petition states that you have "evidence" that additional records exist. ODE indicated that it would be happy to craft a new search if you wish to provide additional information to help the agency locate responsive records. Because we cannot order ODE to produce records it does not have, we respectfully deny your petition.

Sincerely,

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