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VIA EMAIL

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Jordan Wilson
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RE: Public Records Request - PRR # 20-8433

Dear Jordan Wilson:

We have reviewed your California Public Records Act ("CPRA") request, dated October 5, 2020, herein enclosed.

The requested record was determined to be exempt from disclosure pursuant to the deliberative process privilege under Cal. Gov't Code § 6255(a). Specifically, the record was prepared in order to assist a University decision-maker in arriving at a decision and release of the record would inhibit the free and candid exchange of ideas necessary to the decision-making process. As a result, the public interest in nondisclosure clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure. As set forth in the seminal case recognizing the deliberative process privilege in the CPRA context, the California Supreme Court stated in *Times Mirror Co. v. Superior Ct.* (1991) 53 Cal.3d 1325, that "[t]he key question in every case is 'whether the disclosure of materials would expose an agency's decision-making process in such a way as to discourage candid discussion within the agency and thereby undermine the agency's ability to perform its functions.'" *Id.* at 1342 (citations omitted). Pre-decisional communications remain privileged even after the decision is made. *See id.* at 1344 n. 13. Thus, the record will not be produced.

This completes the response to your request. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (310) 794-8741 or via email at rpounds@finance.ucla.edu and reference the PRR number found above in the subject line.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rachel Pounds".

Rachel Pounds

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