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**VIA FAX AND CERTIFIED MAIL**

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**RE: Freedom of Information Law Request**

Dear Ms. White:

We write on behalf of Cause of Action, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that uses investigative, legal, and communications tools to educate the public on how government accountability and transparency protects taxpayer interests and economic opportunity. We are interested in the New York City Department of Buildings' (NYCDB) determination that modular construction is exempt from the 2008 New York City Building Code requirements regarding the employment of union labor.

Therefore, Cause of Action hereby requests, pursuant to the provisions of New York's Freedom of Information Law (FOIL),<sup>1</sup> that the NYCDB produce within five (5) business days the following records:

1. All communications, including e-mails, letters, or faxes, between NYCDB Commissioner Robert LiMandri or any employee of the NYCDB and Mary Anne Gilmartin, Robert Sanna, Roger Krulak, or other any employee of Forest City Ratner Companies or Forest City Enterprises (including all emails using the domain "@forestcity.net") from November 2011 to May 2013.
2. Copies of the NYCDB's Visitor Log Book for the date January 23, 2012.

In an effort to facilitate record production and to minimize any duplication fees, Cause of Action prefers to accept information and/or documents in electronic format (e.g., e-mail, pdf). If a certain set of responsive records can be produced more readily, we respectfully request that those records be produced first and that the remaining records be produced on a rolling basis as circumstances permit. Once responsive records

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<sup>1</sup> 5 N.Y. Public Officers Law §§ 84-90.

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are found, please inform us of the number of pages and the copying costs before production begins.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact me by e-mail at Adam.Butschek@causeofaction.org or by telephone at (202) 499-4232. Thank you for your attention to this matter.



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