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Talis Colberg  
Attorney General, State of Alaska  
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Re: Request for Extension of Time to Respond to Public Records Requests

Dear Attorney General Colberg:

I am requesting an extension of time to respond to 18 public records requests, described on the attached list. These requests all call for copies of state email sent from or to private email accounts of the Governor, Mr. Palin, or both.

We are currently working with the Department of Administration's Division of Enterprise Technology Services (ETS) to collect for search purposes all email from 51 state employee email accounts. The data from these accounts will be searched to identify and isolate all email sent to, sent from or copied to private email addresses the Governor or Mr. Palin may have used. We provided ETS the list of the state employees with whom the Governor and Mr. Palin would most likely have communicated directly. These 51 employees are current and prior members of the senior staff within the Executive Offices, the Cabinet, the Governor's schedulers/assistants, and key members of the AGIA team. Previously we were advised that the raw data would be available for search purposes by October 16. On Tuesday, October 14, I was advised by ETS that the raw data collection will not be completed until October 31. ETS estimates that the searches of those data will take two additional weeks, i.e., until November 14.

Once the email has been identified, the Department of Law will need to review the records to ensure that protected interests of private or government persons or entities are not infringed. Until the volume of documents is known, an estimate of the review time is not possible. I therefore request an initial extension until November 17, 2008, to respond to the various email records requests, with the understanding that additional time will be required.

As soon as I have an estimate of the additional time necessary to provide the records, I will request a further extension. Because all requestors are entitled under 2AAC 96.325(e) to an opportunity to be heard concerning this extension request, I am sending each a copy of this letter.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Linda J. Perez  
Administrative Director

Enclosure

cc: Requestor list  
Michael Nizich, Chief of Staff  
Randy Ruaro, Deputy Chief of Staff

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<b>Name/Affiliation</b>	<b>Date of Request</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Date of Extension</b>	<b>Date Due</b>
David Corr/Mother Jones	9/8/2008	Palin email	fee estimate sent 9/22/2008	
Mark Thiessen/AP	9/9/2008	Todd Palin email	fee estimate sent 9/22/2008	
Aram Roston/NBC	9/9/2008	Todd Palin email	fee estimate sent 9/22/2008	
Lisa Demer/ADN	9/10/2008	Governor's emails for Aug. 27, 2008	extension sent	10/8/2008
Alan Suderman/Juneau Empire	9/10/2008	Todd Palin email	clarification sent 9/23/2008	
Mark Thiessen/AP	9/15/2008	Governor Palin, Todd Palin, Ivy Frye yahoo email	extension sent	10/10/2008
Mark Thiessen/AP	9/19/2008	mccain08hq.com email	clarification sent 10/1/2008	
Bill Dedman/msnbc	9/19/2008	12 state employees private emails	fee estimate sent 10/2/2008	
Jessi Joseph/CNN	9/19/2008	McCain email	extension sent	10/20/2008
Mark Thiessen/AP	9/20/2008	Todd Palin email	extension sent	10/20/2008
Mark Thiessen/AP	9/20/2008	broadcast.sp4g@gci.net email	clarification sent 10/2/2008	
Kay Brown/Alaska Democratic Party	9/22/2008	Governor's email	extension sent	10/21/2008
Mark Thiessen/AP	9/29/2008	Governor and gas line team emails		10/13/2008
Zane Henning	9/29/2008	Todd Palin email	extension sent	10/28/2008
Mark Thiessen/AP	10/1/2008	palinforgovernor email		10/15/2008
Andree McLeod	10/1/2008	Governor and Todd Palin yahoo email		10/15/2008
McCutcheon, Jerry	10/8/2008	Governor and staff emails re: gas producers		10/22/2008
Alan Suderman/Juneau Empire	10/9/2008	12 state employees private emails		10/24/2008

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VIA U.S. MAIL AND E-MAIL TO [bill.dedman@msnbc.com](mailto:bill.dedman@msnbc.com)

Mr. Bill Dedman  
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New York, New York 10112

Re: Public Records Extension Request

Dear Mr. Dedman:

You requested certain public records from the Office of the Governor. To respond, the Office of the Governor invoked a 10-working-day extension under 2 AAC 96.325 and has now requested an additional extension. The basis for that extension request is described in Linda Perez's October 16 letter, with which you were copied. I am considering that request.

Under 2 AAC 96.325(e), you are entitled to an opportunity to be heard on this extension request. If you wish to respond to the request, please do so to me, in writing, such that I receive it no later than October 23, 2008. I have set a very short response time so the process of considering the extension does not itself cause inordinate delay. But if you wish to respond and need additional time to do so, I will grant that time.

If I do not receive a substantive response or request for additional time from you by October 23, I will make a prompt decision on the extension request. To facilitate your response, you may provide it to me either by letter or by email to [attorney.general@alaska.gov](mailto:attorney.general@alaska.gov).

Sincerely,



Talis J. Colberg  
Attorney General

cc: Linda Perez, Director of Administrative Services, Office of the Governor  
David T. Jones, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law