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## CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST

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University of California, Los Angeles  
Records Management & Information Practices  
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Los Angeles, CA 90024-6541

**Via Electronic Mail:** [UCLARecordsManagement@finance.ucla.edu](mailto:UCLARecordsManagement@finance.ucla.edu)

Re: PRA Request for certain Agency records

**On behalf of Energy Policy Advocates (“EPA”)**, and pursuant to the California Government Code §§ 6250 *et seq.*, I request that The Regents of the University of California (“Regents”) produce, or provide me or my representative the opportunity to inspect or obtain, copies of public records reflecting the (1) a) date, b) amount, c) donor, d) donee and/or e) any specific direction regarding the use of any and all donations or gifts (e.g., to the UCLA Law School Dean’s discretionary fund, the discretionary fund of any specified UCLA Law professor or the UCLA public interest support fund), that was (2) made during the period from on or after January 1, 2016 through and including May 31, 2022, by (3) a) Sher Edling LLP (“SEL”), or either of SEL name partners b) Vic Sher or c) Matt Edling to (4) Regents, UCLA, UCLA Law School and/or the Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment.

EPA does not want or require all documents that reflect each or any of the requested items of information unless Regents insists on so interpreting this request in a way leading to delay or obstruction of the ultimate production to EPA of the requested items of information embodied therein. EPA accordingly requests that Regents only produce a sufficient number of documents to reflect the requested items of information as to *each discrete* donation or gift, the bulk of which information is undoubtedly set forth on one or more Excel spreadsheets (or similar documents) maintained by, e.g., the UCLA Foundation and/or UCLA Office of Gift Planning. In particular, if it is easier and more efficient for Regents to provide a newly-created document or documents limited to setting forth the requested items of information (and thereby avoiding the burden and delay that would be associated in deleting extraneous information relating to other donors), EPA will accept such document(s) in lieu of the provision of existing public records that reflect the requested items of information.

EPA is a non-profit public policy organization dedicated to informing the public of developments in the area of energy and environmental issues and relationships between governmental and non-governmental entities as they relate to those issues. EPA’s ability to obtain fee waivers is essential to this work. The stated purposes of this request within the meaning of California Government Code § 6253.1 are to allow a determination of the nexus between interested non-governmental entities and government agency decision-making. The public is both interested in and entitled to know how regulatory, policy and enforcement decisions are reached. EPA ensures the public is made aware of its work and findings via media, its website [epadvocates.org](http://epadvocates.org), to broadly disseminate energy

and environmental policy news and developments. The public information obtained by EPA have been relied upon by established media outlets, including the Washington Times and Wall Street Journal editorial page. See, e.g., EPA In the News at <http://epadvocates.org/news/>; see also, e.g., Stuart Parker, "Conservative Group Says States' Ozone Suit 'Trojan Horse' for GHG Limits," Inside EPA, February 24, 2021, and [https://www.wsj.com/articles/bidens-backdoor-climate-plan-11616020338?mod=opinion\\_lead\\_pos1](https://www.wsj.com/articles/bidens-backdoor-climate-plan-11616020338?mod=opinion_lead_pos1).

I request that this information be provided electronically via email attachment if possible to avoid unnecessary fees and otherwise conserve resources.

If I can provide any clarification that will help expedite your attention to this request, please contact me by email at [Schilling@allhookedup.com](mailto:Schilling@allhookedup.com), pursuant to Government Code § 6253.1.

Thank you for your timely attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Rob Schilling', written in a cursive style. The signature starts with a large loop on the left, followed by a series of connected loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Rob Schilling  
Executive Director  
Energy Policy Advocates