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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Automattic Inc.
60 29th Street #343
San Francisco, CA 94110

Attn: *law-enforcement@wordpress.com*

Re: Request for Preservation of Records

Dear Automattic Inc.:

Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2703(f), this letter is a formal request for the preservation of all stored communications, records, and other evidence in your possession regarding the following domain name(s) pending further legal process:
<http://tallbloke.wordpress.com>, <http://noconsensus.wordpress.com>, and <http://climateaudit.org> ("the Accounts") from 00:01 GMT Monday 21 November 2011 to 23:59 GMT Wednesday 23 November 2011.

I request that you not disclose the existence of this request to the subscriber or any other person, other than as necessary to comply with this request. If compliance with this request might result in a permanent or temporary termination of service to the Accounts, or otherwise alert any user of the Accounts as to your actions to preserve the information described below, please contact me as soon as possible and before taking action.

I request that you preserve, for a period of 90 days, the information described below currently in your possession in a form that includes the complete record. This request applies only retrospectively. It does not in any way obligate you to capture and preserve new information that arises after the date of this request. This request applies to the following items, whether in electronic or other form, including information stored on backup media, if available:

1. The contents of any communication or file stored by or for the Accounts and any associated accounts, and any information associated with those communications or files, such as the source and destination email addresses or IP addresses.
2. All records and other information relating to the Accounts and any associated accounts including the following:
 - a. Names (including subscriber names, user names, and screen names);

- b. Addresses (including mailing addresses, residential addresses, business addresses, and e-mail addresses);
- c. Local and long distance telephone connection records;
- d. Records of session times and durations, and the temporarily assigned network addresses (such as Internet Protocol (“IP”) addresses) associated with those sessions, including any log history of when username “FOIA” uploaded posts to the Accounts;
- e. Length of service (including start date) and types of service utilized;
- f. Telephone or instrument numbers (including MAC addresses);
- g. Other subscriber numbers or identities (including the registration Internet Protocol (“IP”) addresses); and
- h. Means and source of payment for such service (including any credit card or bank account number) and billing records.

If you have questions regarding this request, please call me at 202-353-2854.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kendra Ervin

Kendra Ervin
Trial Attorney