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Dear custodian of records:

Under the Vermont Public Records Law, §315 et seq., I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain copies of the following public records: correspondence between staff/officials of the Vermont Attorney General's Office and staff/officials of the U.S. Federal Trade Commission and/or external groups and individuals that mentions the terms "Kroger," "Albertsons," "KR," and/or "ACI" from Oct. 13, 2022, through today. This correspondence may take the form of emails, attachments such as letters and/or PowerPoint presentations, and/or calendar invitations for in-person or virtual (e.g. via Microsoft Teams, Zoom, Google Meet, or other) meetings. I am requesting these records in a searchable, electronic format. If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me if the cost will exceed \$25. However, I would also like to request a waiver of all fees in that the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the Attorney General's Office's participation in a multi-state review alongside federal officials of the proposed acquisition of Albertsons Cos. Inc. by The Kroger Co., as well as efforts by the Attorney General's Office to gain public input on the potential effects of the proposed merger. This information is not being sought for commercial purposes. The law requires a response to this request within 2 days, or within 10 days for extraordinary circumstances. If you expect a significant delay in fulfilling this request, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,  
Lydia O'Neal

**Declaration (Required)**

Yes

**Date Submitted**

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