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Dear Mr. Malamud:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge receipt of your recent request for records under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552. You requested records related to any memoranda or budgetary documents that detail the total amount actually spent or the amount budgeted to be spent by the Department of Transportation to access the PACER system run by the Administrative Office of the Courts; the amount that was spent or was budgeted to be spent in the period from 2000 to the present, as well as budget items for the future fiscal periods. (See request).

Your letter has been given identification number 2009-137.

Please be advised that the Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST) is currently experiencing a high number of FOIA requests and is addressing backlogged requests with all due diligence on a first-in/first-out basis. Your request will be addressed in the order it was received. We regret any inconvenience caused by the delay.

Processing fees may apply for FOIA requests as set forth in the Department of Transportation's (DOT) FOIA regulations (49 CFR Part 7.41).

If you have any questions concerning your request, please call our FOIA Requester Service Center at (202) 366-4542.

Sincerely yours,

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