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The Honorable Lina M. Khan
Chair
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
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Dear Chair Khan:

The Committee on the Judiciary received your letter dated July 7, 2023. The Rules of the House of Representatives authorize the Committee to conduct oversight of and legislate on matters relating to the “[p]rotection of trade and commerce against unlawful restraints and monopolies.”¹ Pursuant to this authority, the Committee is conducting oversight of the programs and operations of the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), including allegations of mismanagement and ethical lapses at the Commission, the FTC’s merger review processes, its records retention practices, the FTC’s harassment of Twitter, and the Commission’s responsiveness to congressional oversight. This oversight will inform various legislative proposals, including, but not limited to, proposals to consolidate antitrust enforcement authority in one agency and legislation to provide guardrails on FTC enforcement and rulemaking authorities.

As we explained in our letter dated June 28, 2023, the Committee requires testimony of FTC employees to advance its oversight and inform potential legislative reforms.² In response to your request for more information, and as an accommodation to you, enclosed is the information you have requested.³ We trust this accommodation satisfies your request. On July 6, 2023, Committee staff provided the FTC with proposed dates for the requested transcribed interviews.⁴

¹ Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, R. X (2023).

² Letter from Jim Jordan, Chair, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, to Lina Khan, Chair, Fed. Trade Comm’n (June 28, 2023).

³ The enclosed list of potential topics of oversight in no way limits the scope of the Committee’s transcribed interviews.

⁴ Email from H. Comm. on the Judiciary staff to Fed. Trade Comm’n staff (July 6, 2023).

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We ask that you confirm these dates by 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, so the Committee's oversight may continue without undue delay.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jim Jordan". The signature is stylized with a large "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Jim Jordan
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Jerrold L. Nadler, Ranking Member

Enclosure

Topics of Oversight

1. Thursday, July 20, 2023 - Mr. Brian Telpner - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
2. Tuesday, July 25, 2023 - Mr. Stephen Mohr - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
3. Friday, July 28, 2023 - Mr. Jordan Andrew - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
4. Tuesday, August 1, 2023 - Mr. James Weiss - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
5. Thursday, August 3, 2023 - Ms. Sarah Wohl - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
6. Tuesday, August 8, 2023 - Ms. Peggy Bayer Femenella - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
7. Thursday, August 10, 2023 - Mr. James Abell - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
8. Tuesday, August 15, 2023 - Mr. Joshua Goodman - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
9. Thursday, August 17, 2023 - Mr. Peter Richman - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
10. Wednesday, September 6, 2023 - Ms. Jessica Drake - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
11. Friday, September 8, 2023 - Mr. Rohan Pai - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
12. Tuesday, September 12, 2023 - Mr. Stephen Rodger - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
13. Wednesday, September 13, 2023 - Mr. Mark Seidman - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
14. Friday, September 15, 2023 - Ms. Tara Isa Koslov - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
15. Tuesday, September 19, 2023 - Ms. Patricia Galvan - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
16. Thursday, September 21, 2023 - Ms. Krisha Cerilli - mismanagement, staff morale, and merger review
17. Tuesday, September 26, 2023 - Ms. Jeanne Bumpus - responsiveness to congressional oversight
18. Thursday, September 28, 2023 - Ms. Elizabeth Tucci - mismanagement, staff morale, ethical lapses, and responsiveness to congressional oversight
19. Tuesday, October 10, 2023 - Ms. April Tabor - records retention and responsiveness to congressional oversight
20. Friday, October 13, 2023 - Ms. Kim Vandecar - responsiveness to congressional oversight
21. Tuesday, October 17, 2023 - Ms. Robin Moore - responsiveness to congressional oversight
22. Thursday, October 19, 2023 - Ms. Lorielle Pankey - mismanagement, staff morale, and ethical lapses
23. Wednesday, October 25, 2023 - Mr. James Kohm - mismanagement, staff morale, and harassment of Twitter