# **EXHIBIT 18**

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Date: Wednesday, August 27 2014 09:19 AM

Subject: Re: 568 Presidents' Group Exemption Renewal Efforts

From: Cynthia Barnhart

**To:** Elizabeth M Hicks <emhicks@mit.edu>:

Dennis M Freeman <a href="mailto:reeman@mit.edu">freeman@mit.edu</a>; Philip H. Lippel <phlippel@mit.edu</a>; Leslie C Bridson

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Attachments: smime.p7m

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Thanks again,

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Ford Professor of Engineering

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Subject: Fwd: 568 Presidents' Group Exemption Renewal Efforts

**Date:** August 22, 2014 at 2:01:28 PM EDT **To:** Cynthia Barnhart <<u>cbarnhart@mit.edu</u>>

Cc: Martin Arnold Schmidt <maschmid@mit.edu>, "L. Rafael Reif" <reif@mit.edu>

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Karla Casey
Executive Assistant to the President
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
77 Massachusetts Avenue,
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T. 617.253.0260
F. 617.253.3124

From: John DeGioia <<u>president@georgetown.edu</u>>

Date: August 22, 2014 at 1:45:36 PM EDT

To: undisclosed-recipients:;

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Subject: 568 Presidents' Group Exemption Renewal Efforts

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<568 Presidents Group Exemption Renewal Aug 2014.pdf>

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