



January 10, 2024

*Via email*

Suzanne Wilson  
General Counsel and Associate Register of Copyrights  
United States Copyright Office  
Library of Congress  
101 Independence Ave. SE  
Washington, D.C. 20559-6000

**Re: Notice of Intent to Audit Smithsonian Institution for CY 2021, 2022, and 2023**

Dear Ms. Wilson:

Pursuant to 17 U.S.C. 115(d)(4)(D)(i)(IV), the Mechanical Licensing Collective (“The MLC”) hereby files with the Copyright Office this notice of intent to conduct an audit (“Notice of Intent to Audit”) of Smithsonian Institution.

Pursuant to 17 U.S.C. 115(d)(4)(D) and applicable regulations, The MLC intends to audit Smithsonian Institution to verify the accuracy of all royalty payments to The MLC, including payments in connection with any related adjustments, arising from all covered activity occurring under the blanket license during the verification period beginning on January 1, 2021 and ending on December 31, 2023.

A copy of this Notice of Intent to Audit is being delivered simultaneously to Smithsonian Institution.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristen Johns". The signature is written in a cursive style with a clear, legible font.

Kristen Johns, Chief Legal Officer

cc: Cecille Chen, Smithsonian Institution  
John Smith, Smithsonian Institution