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Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 11:26 AM
To: Mark Edwards <edwardsm@vt.edu>
Subject: Sloppy Attempt to Discredit Me

Hey Mark,

Jordan with The Young Turks. Love the distorted video stuff you did on my work. A for effort. Unfortunately you broke fair use and other rules of the Internet. Virginia Tech will hear from TYT's lawyers.

I'd be careful before pushing your other hit pieces on me and Scott with places like CNN, which I know you are doing now. I am working on an additional piece which prove you are a hack.

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From: Jordan Chariton <jordanchariton@tytnetwork.com>
Date: 6/3/2017 10:36:21 AM
Subject: Jordan with The Young Turks/Your Deceptively Edited Hit Piece
To: sidroy@vt.edu

Hi Siddhartha,

This is Jordan Chariton, reporter with The Young Turks. Hope you're enjoying summer.

I've recently come across a hit-piece you did on the Flint Water Study site—from doing a quick skim of the site, it seems your primary function is to be Marc Edwards' little errand-boy for his egocentric vendettas against others—where you clearly chopped up a slew of clips from my videos that didn't actually occur together to try and depict a false narrative.

<http://flintwaterstudy.org/2017/05/exclusive-mark-ruffalos-water-defense-sampling-methods-revealed/>

Hmm--that doesn't seem like something "scientists" would do.

In several videos, you or whomever you commissioned, puts together a slew of clips from different videos, trying to depict what you're showing as the natural, raw footage of what I shot, and interestingly enough, all of your chopped up editing makes me or Scott look negative. In Internet parlance, we call that deceptive editing. Look into James O'Keefe and his reputation/lawsuits against him and you'll know what I'm talking about.

I really don't want to go to battle with you publicly--informing my over 100K followers between Twitter and FB what you did (and The Young Turks' 80 million viewers per month online) the lies and deception you spun. Starting with:

- I never tested that fungi off the wall
- Scott Smith never used or even referenced my test results, which went to a certified laboratory in Cincinnati, which DID find bacteria and other toxins. He did his own testing in East Chicago with his own equipment and testing methods.

Now, in fairness to you, I'm sure your little hit job was on Marc's orders. Kind of sad actually this is what your "adviser" has you doing.

So, I'm willing to do nothing publicly if the entire post is taken down and your blog issues a correction and admission of your selectively edited clips as well as a correction to the two points I've made.

Since this is undoubtedly going to be forwarded by you to your boss, here's my message to both of you: you can plant stories with CNN and others until your blue in the face. You are lucky the

corporate media is filled with stenographers you can spoonfeed nonsense to and they'll regurgitate it.

Doesn't bother me at all. But if you're going to try and do hit pieces, at least don't do so with fake videos and false editing. People who do that don't have the facts on their side, so they make them up.

If you feel it's worth it to you to go to public battle with TYT, you should know I have plenty of information and emails Marc probably would be horrified to know are in my possession—and EPA sources that indicate the Flint "wonderboy" is in fact not so wonderful after all.

If you both want to have a public dispute with the largest online news channel in the world—where we will expose the deceptive editing, the lies, and other untoward things, that's your choice.

You have until Tuesday to take it down and issue a correction.

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From: Jordan Chariton <jordanchariton@tytnetwork.com>

Date: 6/3/2017 10:56:38 AM

Subject: Re: Jordan with The Young Turks/Your Deceptively Edited Hit Piece

To: sidroy@vt.edu

Here's 3 videos we've done in recent months-1 is on your boss. Between Facebook and YouTube, you're talking hundreds of thousand of eyeballs and shares.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lx-Tr4pv0oE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ih7StkBcP1g>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FoKN45simAo>

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From: Marc Edwards <edwardsm@vt.edu>
Date: 6/5/2017 12:52:59 PM
Subject: Considering your request
To: Jordan Chariton <jordanchariton@tytnetwork.com>
Cc: Siddhartha Roy <sidroy@vt.edu>

Jordan,

Can you please send us the full reports from your sampling events in East Chicago, including the cover page from Scott Smith, as it was given to all consumers that were interviewed on your network? Of course, please redact the name and address of the customer, but leave all other information. We can then match the results in the letters to East Chicago residents to those read in the videos and decide how to proceed.

Once we receive that information, we will certainly consider your request for a correction. If you can get all of those redacted reports to us by 3 pm today, it is hypothetically possible that we could meet your deadline. Otherwise, I am afraid we cannot make it, because we need to see the evidence first.

Marc

From: Jordan Chariton <jordanchariton@tytnetwork.com>
Date: 6/5/2017 1:35:01 PM
Subject: Re: Considering your request
To: Marc Edwards <edwardsm@vt.edu>
Cc: Siddhartha Roy <sidroy@vt.edu>

Good Morning,

Lab reports have absolutely nothing to do with you and your cohorts splicing together totally separate video clips that weren't actually shot together in an attempt to make them look like the actual video clips that were shot (ultimately to defame Scott and/or I). If someone has facts and context on their side, they wouldn't go to the lengths to do that.

I have no burden to provide you anything—you were the person who put together the deceptive videos (and last time I checked, where are your full lab reports aside from incomplete excel sheets the EPA puts up?). If your ego can't deal other individuals testing things, that's your own insecurity (and seems like you have a big one from the countless emails I've seen from EPA sources of you attacking Scott). But when you doctor video I did to support your narrative, that's where it runs afoul.

So, before I do my own videos pointing out what you did (and some other interesting nuggets about you), and showcase several residents and non-residents (just had a really terrific

conversation about you with someone else) who will share their accounts of who are, I'd suggest you take it down and correct.

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From: Marc Edwards <edwardsm@vt.edu>
Date: 6/5/2017 2:13:57 PM
Subject: RE: Considering your request
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Cc: Siddhartha Roy <sidroy@vt.edu>

One of the key corrections you requested, was because the sewer pipe scraping you took from the basement of that nice lady's home, was never sent to the lab. I therefore think it is reasonable, for me to see the evidence that this particular claim was correct. Your team discussed her sampling results at great length on air, so you must have that and the other reports. If the report indicates the sewer pipe bacteria fungi sample was never submitted, I will indeed correct the record.

Marc

From: Jordan Chariton <jordanchariton@tytnetwork.com>
Date: 6/5/2017 4:38:31 PM
Subject: Re: Considering your request
To: Marc Edwards <edwardsm@vt.edu>
Cc: Siddhartha Roy <sidroy@vt.edu>

I'm not sending you private lab reports. If the videos aren't taken down with the deceptive editing noted, I'll act accordingly. Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

From: Marc Edwards <edwardsm@vt.edu>
Date: 6/6/2017 5:23:05 PM
Subject: Aquaflex LLC?
To: Jordan Chariton <jordanchariton@tytnetwork.com>
Cc: Sid Roy <sidroy@vt.edu>
Hi Jordan,

We have just discovered, that the address and affiliation Scott is using on many of his Flint letters, is that of his venture capital business startup Aquaflex LLC.

Is the reason you did not want to share the letters from Scott, because he was representing his Aquaflex LLC startup when he was doing the work on TYT? Or do those letters to you say he was representing Water Defense?

I am having a hard time keeping his roles straight. Just curious...doesn't that strike you as a possible conflict of interest worth mentioning to your viewers? I never once heard you mention you were working with "Scott Smith of Aquaflex LLC, venture capital business startup." Or did he fail to mention that to you?

Marc

From: Jordan Chariton <jordanchariton@tytnetwork.com>
Date: 6/6/2017 6:42:40 PM
Subject: Re: Aquaflex LLC?
To: Marc Edwards <edwardsm@vt.edu>
Cc: Sid Roy <sidroy@vt.edu>

Whether this is true or not (it's not), this has zero bearing on my original email to you regarding the video you doctored. Your misdirection attempts are fairly amateur--maybe you should re-read your "Atlas Shrugged" Bible closer to learn how to be a better weasel.

And considering your response to my request has been continued nonsense about Scott, everything I've heard about you rings true. Sad this is how you spend your time (and your students' time)--when you could actually be helping the citizens of Flint as they deal with the continued toxic water you pretend is better now.

I see you haven't taken it down--I've been busy today with my book release. Will be taking action as soon as tomorrow.

Jordan

From: Marc Edwards <edwardsm@vt.edu>
Date: 6/7/2017 10:29:03 AM
Subject: TYT Email Threats from Jordan Chariton
To: legal@tytnetwork.com, Jordan Chariton <jordanchariton@tytnetwork.com>, press@tytnetwork.com, feedback@tytnetwork.com
Cc: Siddhartha Roy <sidroy@vt.edu>

Hello there.

Mr. Sid Roy and I have received the following e-mail threats, and more, from your reporter Mr. Jordan Chariton. This is the first communication I have ever received from TYT, and perhaps it is just how you do business, but we consider this type of communication highly unprofessional.

Today, we will be publishing the emails below on our website, along with a critique of Mr. Jordan's TYT reporting. I will send you a link to that posting when it is finished.

If there is anyone down there who is an adult, and who wants to discuss this in greater detail, my phone number is 540 231 7236.

Specifically, I would like you to comment, for my blog, on whether TYT approves of Mr. Chariton's emails.

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Subject: Re: TYT Email Threats from Jordan Chariton
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Cc: legal@tytnetwork.com, TYT Network Press <press@tytnetwork.com>, feedback@tytnetwork.com, Siddhartha Roy <sidroy@vt.edu>

Marc,

Feel free to publish whatever you'd like. As I stated, I'll be reporting on your doctoring of TYT video in deceptively edited ways to create a false narrative on my reporting. Will be interesting to see what the public thinks regarding an EPA-funded scientist creating false content vs a reporter pointing out the size of his network's audience.

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