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Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

FOIA/PA REQUEST

Case No: 2002-0073  
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Action Off: Brown  
Related Case: \_\_\_\_\_

Re: Freedom of Information request

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I would like copies of the following:

--All documents between the years 1957-73 in the files of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards pertaining to licensing of the Saxton experimental reactor in Saxton, Pa., subsequent license amendments, and any other issues at the Saxton plant addressed by the ACRS. This should include, but not be limited to, hearing transcripts, correspondence, committee minutes, and memos. Saxton was a joint project of General Public Utilities Corp. and Westinghouse. The AEC/NRC docket number for Saxton was 50-146.

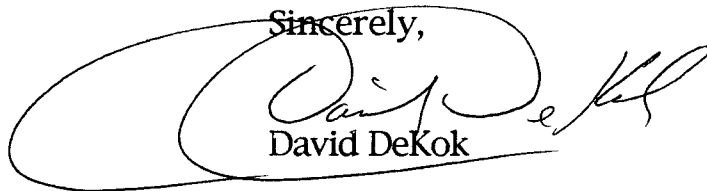
I have previously examined the public Saxton file in the NRC public document room in Washington and found almost nothing from the ACRS on the Saxton licensing, even though it was deeply involved in the process. I have found several unique ACRS documents relating to Saxton in the private papers of Abel Wolman, who was on the ACRS, at Johns Hopkins University. These were clearly not a complete set, which leads me to suspect there are other documents I have not seen in the ACRS files. Saxton, for example, was discussed at length the 19th meeting of the ACRS Sept. 10-12, 1959, in Washington.

--All documents between the years 1963 and 1980 in the files of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards pertaining to the Oyster Creek nuclear plant near Toms River, N.J. This should include, but not be limited to, hearing transcripts, correspondence, committee minutes, and memos that are not presently in the NRC Public Document Room in Washington, D.C.. Oyster Creek was owned by the Jersey Central Power & Light Co. subsidiary of General Public Utilities Corp. Its docket number was 50-219.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I also request "Representative of the News Media" status, which entitles me to a waiver of search fees and 100 pages of free copying. These documents are needed for my ongoing research into the history of General Public Utilities Corp., which will eventually result in a book. I am the author of one previous book, *Unseen Danger: A Tragedy of People, Government, and the Centralia Mine Fire*, published in 1986 by University of Pennsylvania Press and republished last year by iUniverse.com. A review of my book is enclosed. In addition, I have been a newspaper reporter for more than 25 years.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'David DeKok', is written over a large, loopy circular flourish. Below the signature, the name 'David DeKok' is printed in a standard serif font.

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