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Desc: Riverkeeper requests copies of any and all correspondence between NRC and Entergy Nuclear Northeast, LLC, and any New York State Agencies, including but not limited to the NYS Department of Health, the Department of Environmental Conservation, the Department of Public Safety and the Public Service Commission between and including the dates of May 5, 2006 and July 7, 2006, regarding the leaks of tritiated water from Indian Point into groundwater and the Hudson River, the continuing enhanced oversight regarding the leaks, installation and sampling results of new and existing groundwater monitoring wells onsite and offsite, sampling results of Hudson River sediment and fish samples for radionuclides, and the results of any hydrological or geological surveys or studies done by either NRC, Entergy, DEC or NYS Department of Health relating to this issue.

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Waiver_Purpose: Riverkeeper is a nonprofit environmental organization whose mission is to safeguard the ecology and biological integrity of the Hudson River. Since Indian Point is situated on the Hudson at Buchanan, NY, the safe operation of the plant is of paramount importance to our members and the public living in the Hudson Valley. We will use the information obtained to keep ourselves, our members and the public better informed about the NRC's regulatory actions and oversight regarding the radioactive leaks at Indian Point.

Waiver_ExtentToExtractAnalyze: We will review the documents provided, extract relevant information about the leaks, NRC oversight, and Entergy's response to the leaks and the NRC to better inform our members and the public. In this case, we will analyze the content of the records to aid us in formulating organizational policy regarding the continued safe operation of Indian Point, and whether these leaks pose a potential threat to public health or safety in the Hudson Valley.

Waiver_SpecificActivityQuals: The records will be used to educate our staff, members and the public about the ongoing leak of radioactive water from Indian Point into groundwater and the Hudson River, specifically the effectiveness of NRC oversight and cooperation with involved state agencies to address this issue. As Riverkeeper Policy analyst, I have a legal education and experience working with federal regulations and administrative law. I also have a close working relationship with technical experts in the field of nuclear engineering, with whom I can consult regarding the content of technical documents. I believe my expertise combined with access to technical experts allows me to present our analysis of information about the leaks to keep the public fully informed and contribute to their understanding of this issue.

Waiver_ImpactPublicUnderstanding: the impact will be to increase the public's understanding of the leak and the effectiveness of the NRC's response to it. As a nonprofit organization that regularly communicates with the public on environmental, public health and energy issues, Riverkeeper is uniquely situated to accomplish this goal. Our goal here is to increase public understanding of the agency response and the operation of Indian Point, especially the potential systems at the plant that could be contributing to the environmental contamination. the safe operation of the plant is of great interest to the public in our region, and our efforts to increase the amount and quality of information publicly available are in direct response to this need.

Waiver_NatureOfPublic: Riverkeeper has over five thousand members, and the safe operation of the plant potentially affects nearly half a million residents in the plant's vicinity, and nearly twenty million within a fifty mile radius of Indian Point.

Waiver_MeansOfDissemination: after analyzing the records, Riverkeeper disseminates it to the public through postings on our website, www.riverkeeper.org, press releases and press conferences, news articles, op-ed pieces and television news interviews.

Waiver_FreeToPublicOrFee: Free of charge.

Waiver_PrivateCommercialInterest: None.
