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FOIA/PAREQUEST

Case No:

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**From:** Nate Morabito <nmorabito@wjhl.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 2015 10:01 AM  
**To:** FOIA Resource  
**Subject:** WWW Form Submission

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by

Nate Morabito ([nmorabito@wjhl.com](mailto:nmorabito@wjhl.com)) on Tuesday, June 09, 2015 at 10:00:38

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using the form at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/foia/foia-submittal-form.html>

and resulted in this email to [foia.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:foia.resource@nrc.gov)

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Company/Affiliation: WJHL-TV

Address1: 338 East Main Street

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City: Johnson City

State: TN

Zip: 37601

Country: United\_States

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Desc: I am seeking electronic copies of all documents, emails and/or memos involving safety concerns at Tennessee Valley Authority's™ Boone Dam in Johnson City-Washington County. I ask that you use the search terms: Seepage, sinkhole, Dam Safety, TVA Safety, TVA Boone Dam Safety, Tennessee Valley Authority Dam Safety, TVA, Boone Dam, TVA Dam, TVA Boone Dam, Tennessee Valley Authority and Tennessee Valley Authority Boone Dam when looking for those documents and ask that you go back to January 1, 2015 through today in terms of the length of the request.

FeeCategory: NewsMedia

MediaType: WJHL-TV

MediaType\_TVRadio: on

MediaType\_Other\_Description:

Expedite\_ImminentThreatText:

Expedite\_UrgencyToInformText:

Waiver\_Purpose: I intend to use these records to show the public how their government operates. I ask that all fees be waived for this request. However, if you suspect there will be a cost associated with this request, please provide me with an estimate and allow me to respond before moving forward with this request.

Waiver\_ExtentToExtractAnalyze: I intend to look at the records individually and collectively to see if there is more information the public should know about in regards to the dam's safety.

Waiver\_SpecificActivityQuals: I am an experienced and award-winning investigative reporter responding to several requests from viewers for more information about the situation at this dam. TVA has not released water this summer, resulting in incredibly low lake levels, which have led to economic and additional safety concerns regarding sinkholes in the area.

Waiver\_ImpactPublicUnderstanding: Currently, the only information the public has received about the situation comes directly from the TVA. Other than that information, there is nothing else readily available for the public to fully understand the scope of the problem. All they know is that it is so serious TVA didn't feel it was safe to open the dam this summer.

Waiver\_NatureOfPublic: This impacts homeowners, boaters, fisherman and families all across Northeast Tennessee, Southwest Virginia and Western North Carolina.

Waiver\_MeansOfDissemination: I intend to share relevant documents with the public through television news reports and online news stories.

Waiver\_FreeToPublicOrFee: The information will be available to the public free of charge.

Waiver\_PrivateCommericalInterest: We have no interest other than to help the public better understand the situation.