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Dear Sir;

This is a request for information under the principles of the Freedom of Information Act. Your office must respond to this request within ten days.

Our review of the history of nuclear waste disposal methods for wastes generated by the SMLA nuclear reactor at Ft. Greely, Alaska led us to conclude that the wastes were likely disposed of in a manner that could prove dangerous to public health. In light of possibly severe results from said disposal methods we require from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission immediate compliance with this Freedom of Information Act request.

The Department of Defense disposed of nuclear wastes from the SMLA reactor by a variety of methods, variously described as

- 1) ground injection
- 2) well injection
- 3) Dilution and creek disposal. (Jarvis Creek)
- 4) Shipment to out-of-state licensed nuclear waste disposal facilities

It is our understanding that Department of Defense generated nuclear waste, in particular the wastes generated by nuclear reactors, can be disposed of only by licensing from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Accordingly, and in the interest of protecting the people and environment of the State of Alaska, we request the following information;

1) Copies of all Nuclear Waste Disposal Facility licenses and associated documents issued to any and all branches of the Department of Defense for Alaska activities from the years 1952 through 1992. The only specific license number that I can provide you with is AEC license number 50-10023-01 (Ft. Richardson).

2) We request all annual reports compiled by any and all governmental agencies concerning the status of nuclear waste disposal facilities at Ft. Greely.

If certain documents or parts of certain requested documents are classified, please send me the entire documents with blacked out portions included.

Cook Inlet Vigil is a non-profit research and educational corporation under State of Alaska and Federal law. We neither intend nor expect to receive financial gain from obtaining the requested information. We will make the information public

by distribution to libraries, newspapers and all interested parties. It is in the public interest to know how the referred to nuclear wastes have been disposed of. I therefore request and expect a waiver of all fees associated with the search and duplication of the requested documents. In the event that this fee waiver is denied we will pay up to \$50 of costs associated with search and duplication. Please contact us if costs will be more than \$50.

I expect your timely compliance with this information request as mandated by the Freedom of Information Act.

Sincerely
James Roderick, President
Cook Inlet Vigil

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