



U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

PDR-016
RESPONSE TO FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

NRC FOIA REQUEST NUMBER(S)

FOIA-87-714

RESPONSE TYPE

FINAL

X

PARTIAL

DATE

MAR 24 1988

DOCKET NUMBER(S) (if applicable)

REQUESTER

Ellyn R. Weiss, Esquire

PART I. - RECORDS RELEASED OR NOT LOCATED (See checked boxes)

☐ No agency records subject to the request have been located.☐ No additional agency records subject to the request have been located.☐ Agency records subject to the request that are identified in Appendix _____ are already available for public inspection and copying in the NRC Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC.☒ Agency records subject to the request that are identified in Appendix K are being made available for public inspection and copying in the NRC Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC, in a folder under this FOIA number and requester name.☐ The nonproprietary version of the proposal(s) that you agreed to accept in a telephone conversation with a member of my staff is now being made available for public inspection and copying at the NRC Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC, in a folder under this FOIA number and requester name.☐ Enclosed is information on how you may obtain access to and the charges for copying records placed in the NRC Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC.☐ Agency records subject to the request are enclosed. Any applicable charge for copies of the records provided and payment procedures are noted in the comments section.☐ Records subject to the request have been referred to another Federal agency(ies) for review and direct response to you.☐ In view of NRC's response to this request, no further action is being taken on appeal letter dated _____.

PART II.A - INFORMATION WITHHELD FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

☒ Certain information in the requested records is being withheld from public disclosure pursuant to the FOIA exemptions described in and for the reasons stated in Part II, sections B, C, and D. Any released portions of the documents for which only part of the record is being withheld are being made available for public inspection and copying in the NRC Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC, in a folder under this FOIA number and requester name.

Comments

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SIGNATURE DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RULES AND RECORDS

Linda Robinson for Donnie Brinsley

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PART II B - APPLICABLE FOIA EXEMPTIONS

Records subject to the request that are described in the enclosed Appendices L are being withheld in their entirety or in part under FOIA Exemptions and for the reasons set forth below pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(b) and 10 CFR 9.5(a) of NRC Regulations.

1. The withheld information is properly classified pursuant to Executive Order 12356 (EXEMPTION 1)

2. The withheld information relates solely to the internal personnel rules and procedures of NRC. (EXEMPTION 2)

3. The withheld information is specifically exempted from public disclosure by statute indicated: (EXEMPTION 3)

Section 141-145 of the Atomic Energy Act which prohibits the disclosure of Restricted Data or Formerly Restricted Data (42 U.S.C. 2161-2165).

Section 147 of the Atomic Energy Act which prohibits the disclosure of Unclassified Safeguards Information (42 U.S.C. 2167).

4. The withheld information is a trade secret or commercial or financial information that is being withheld for the reason(s) indicated: (EXEMPTION 4)

The information is considered to be confidential business (proprietary) information.

The information is considered to be proprietary information pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(d)(1).

The information was submitted and received in confidence from a foreign source pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(d)(2).

X 5. The withheld information consists of interagency or intraagency records that are not available through discovery during litigation. Disclosure of predecisional information would tend to inhibit the open and frank exchange of ideas essential to the deliberative process. Where records are withheld in their entirety, the facts are inextricably intertwined with the predecisional information. There also are no reasonably segregable factual portions because the release of the facts would permit an indirect inquiry into the predecisional process of the agency. (EXEMPTION 5)

6. The withheld information is exempted from public disclosure because its disclosure would result in a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. (EXEMPTION 6)

7. The withheld information consists of investigatory records compiled for law enforcement purposes and is being withheld for the reason(s) indicated: (EXEMPTION 7)

Disclosure would interfere with an enforcement proceeding because it could reveal the scope, direction, and focus of enforcement efforts, and thus could possibly allow them to take action to shield potential wrongdoing or a violation of NRC requirements from investigators. (EXEMPTION 7(A))

Disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy (EXEMPTION 7(C))

The information consists of names of individuals and other information the disclosure of which would reveal identities of confidential sources. (EXEMPTION 7(D))

PART II C - DENYING OFFICIALS

Pursuant to 10 CFR 9.9 and/or 9.15 of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission regulations, it has been determined that the information withheld is exempt from production or disclosure, and that its production or disclosure is contrary to the public interest. The persons responsible for the denial are those officials identified below as denying officials and the Director, Division of Rules and Records, Office of Administration, for any denials that may be appealed to the Executive Director for Operations (EDO).

DENYING OFFICIAL	TITLE/OFFICE	RECORDS DENIED	APPELLATE OFFICIAL	
			SECRETARY	EDO
Edward Jordan	Director, Office of the Analysis and Evaluation of Operational Data	App. L		X

PART II D - APPEAL RIGHTS

The denial by each denying official identified in Part II.C may be appealed to the Appellate Official identified in that section. Any such appeal must be in writing and must be made within 30 days of receipt of this response. Appeals must be addressed as appropriate to the Executive Director for Operations or to the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, and should clearly state on the envelope and in the letter that it is an "Appeal from an Initial FOIA Decision."

APPENDIX K

1. Undated Enclosure 4 to the Minutes of CRGR Meeting No. 90, Proposed Final Revisions to Property Insurance Rule, 50.54(w). (19 pages)
2. Undated Enclosure 2 to the Minutes of CRGR Meeting No. 80, Offsite Emergency Medical Services. (5 pages)
3. Undated Attachment 2 to Enclosure 2, Compilation of CRGR Recommendations for Changes to Proposed Policy Statement. (3 pages)
4. Undated Enclosure 3 to the Minutes of CRGR Meeting No. 98, Review of Proposed Resolution for USI A-46, Seismic Qualification of Equipment in Operating Plants. (67 pages)
5. Undated Enclosure 2 to the Minutes of CRGR Meeting No. 82, CRGR Review of the Proposed Final Version of the "Insider Rules". (15 pages)
6. 11/25/85 Memo for Bernero, et al., thru Snizek from Taylor, subject: Summary and Issue Identification for CRGR Meeting No. 83. (7 pages)
7. 2/21/86 Memo for Bernero, et al thru Schwink from Cox, subject: Summary and Issue Identification for CRGR Meeting No. 85. (13 pages)
8. 4/16/86 Memo for Bernero, et al, thru Capra from Conran, subject: Summary and Issue Identification for CRGR Meeting No. 89. (9 pages)
9. 5/5/86 Memo for Stello from Snizek, subject: Minutes of CRGR Meeting Number 89. (39 pages)
10. 5/28/86 Summary and Issue Identification for CRGR Review Item Meeting No. 90. (4 pages)
11. 7/11/86 Summary and Issue Identification for CRGR Review Item No. 92. (3 pages)
12. 7/23/86 Memo for Stello from Snizek, subject: Minutes of CRGR Meeting Number 92. (27 pages)
13. 8/11/86 Memo for Bernero, et al thru Zerbe from Polk, subject: Summary and Issue Identification for CRGR Meeting No. 94. (15 pages)
14. 9/9/86 Memo for Stello from Snizek, subject: Minutes of CRGR Meeting Number 94. (6 pages)

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15. 9/16/86 Memo for Bernero, et al, thru Zerbe from Schwink, subject: Summary and Issue Identification for CRGR Meeting No. 96. (5 pages)
16. 10/3/86 Memo for Stello from Snizek, subject: Minutes of CRGR Meeting Number 96. (6 pages)
17. 10/10/86 Memo for Bernero, et al., thru Zerbe, from Conran, subject: CRGR Meeting No. 98 - USI A-46 Review, Supplemental Material. (13 pages)
18. 10/14/86 Memo for Bernero, et al., thru Zerbe from Conran, subject: Summary and Issue Identification for CRGR Meeting No. 98. (5 pages)
19. 12/22/86 Ltr to Snizek from Smith. (2 pages)
20. 2/3/87 Memo for Bernero, et al., thru Zerbe from Schwink, subject: Summary and Issue Identification for CRGR Meeting No. 108. (8 pages)
21. 2/13/87 Memo for Beckjord from Snizek, subject: Proposed Amendment to 10 CFR 50.55a - Codes and Standards. (2 pages)
22. 2/24/87 Ltr to Smith from Snizek. (2 pages)
23. 5/6/87 Memo for Jordan, et al., thru Zerbe from Conran, subject: Summary and Issue Identification CRGR Agenda Items, Meeting No. 114. (3 pages)
24. 6/10/87 Summary and Issue Identification CRGR Agenda Item - Meeting No. 116. (6 pages)

APPENDIX L

1. 12/5/84 Memo for Triner from Snizek, subject: AIF Comments on NUREG/CR-3840 Relating to Cost Estimates made for USI A-44 (Station Blackout) (Letter dated 11/30/84 to W. Dircks, EDO). (5 pages) - Exemption 5.
2. 5/7/87 Summary and Issue Identification, CRGR Agenda Item - Meeting No. 114. (6 pages) - Exemption 5
3. 5/22/87 Memo for Jordan, et al., thru Zerbe, from Conran, subject: Summary and Issue Identification CRGR Agenda Item, Meeting No. 115. (6 pages) - Exemption 5
4. 5/27/87 Enclosure 2 to the Minutes of CRGR Meeting No. 115, Proposed Final Resolution for USI A-44, "Station Blackout". (52 pages) - Exemption 5

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
ACT REQUEST

FOIA-87-714
Rec'd 10-23-87

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists:

1. All cost-benefit or value-impact analyses done since September, 1985 in connection with the consideration by NRC staff of generic or site-specific backfits.
2. Any and all lists, compilations or other identifications of potential generic or site-specific backfits under consideration by the NRC staff at any time since September, 1985.
3. Any and all memoranda or other documents since September 1985, from the Committee to Review Generic Requirements ("CRGR") containing requests or direction to the NRC staff to perform, modify or reconsider value-impact or cost-benefit analyses regarding any potential generic or site-specific backfit.
4. Any and all documents containing guidance, criteria or examples used by the NRC in deciding which generic or site-specific backfits are appropriate for cost-benefit analyses under the backfit rule and which are not so appropriate.

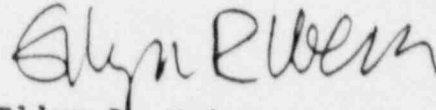
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Please call me if you have any questions regarding this request.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ellyn R. Weiss".

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