

**RESPONSE TO FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST**

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RESPONSE
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REQUESTER:

Dustin Slaughter

DATE:

02/23/2022

DESCRIPTION OF REQUESTED RECORDS:

Records reflecting sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects/UFOs/Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon/"UAP" occurring at or near the vicinity of "Three Mile Island Nuclear Generating Station"; "Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station"; "Limerick Generating Station"; and, "Susquehanna Steam Electric Station," during specified time periods, respectively.

PART I. -- INFORMATION RELEASED

- ☐ The NRC has made some, or all, of the requested records publicly available through one or more of the following means: (1) <https://www.nrc.gov>; (2) public ADAMS, <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>; (3) microfiche available in the NRC Public Document Room; or FOIA Online, <https://foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home>.
- ☐ Agency records subject to the request are enclosed.
- ☐ Records subject to the request that contain information originated by or of interest to another Federal agency have been referred to that agency (See Part I.D -- Comments) for a disclosure determination and direct response to you.
- ☐ We are continuing to process your request.
- ☒ See Part I.D -- Comments.

PART I.A -- FEES

AMOUNT

\$261.36

- ☐ You will be billed by NRC for the amount indicated.
- ☒ You will receive a refund for the amount indicated.
- ☐ Fees waived.
- ☐ Since the minimum fee threshold was not met, you will not be charged fees.
- ☐ Due to our delayed response, you will not be charged search and/or duplication fees that would otherwise be applicable to your request.

PART I.B -- INFORMATION NOT LOCATED OR WITHHELD FROM DISCLOSURE

- ☒ We did not locate any agency records responsive to your request. *Note:* Agencies may treat three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records as not subject to the FOIA ("exclusions"). See 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This is a standard notification given to all requesters; it should not be taken to mean that any excluded records do, or do not, exist.
- ☐ We have withheld certain information pursuant to the FOIA exemptions described, and for the reasons stated, in Part II.
- ☐ Because this is an interim response to your request, you may not appeal at this time. We will notify you of your right to appeal any of the responses we have issued in response to your request when we issue our final determination.
- ☒ You may appeal this final determination within 90 calendar days of the date of this response. If you submit an appeal by mail, address it to the FOIA Officer, at U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Mail Stop T-6 A60M, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001. You may submit an appeal by e-mail to FOIA.resource@nrc.gov. You may fax an appeal to (301) 415-5130. Please be sure to include on your submission that it is a "FOIA Appeal." Only a pre-registered user may file an appeal through FOIA Online, <https://foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home>. A user who has not registered an account prior to filing the initial FOIA request may still submit an appeal by one of the above mentioned options.

PART I.C -- REFERENCES AND POINTS OF CONTACT

You have the right to seek assistance from the NRC's FOIA Public Liaison by submitting your inquiry at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/foia/contact-foia.html>, or by calling the FOIA Public Liaison at (301) 415-1276.

If we have denied your request, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from the NRC's Public Liaison or the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). To seek dispute resolution services from OGIS, you may e-mail OGIS at ogis@nara.gov, send a fax to (202) 741-5789, or send a letter to: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. For additional information about OGIS, please visit the OGIS website at <https://www.archives.gov/ogis>.



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PART I.D -- COMMENTS

On January 19, 2022 and January 20, 2022, you submitted four FOIA requests to our office. These requests were assigned reference numbers NRC-2022-000064, NRC-2022-000065, NRC-2022-000068, and, NRC-2022-000069. In your requests you sought sightings of any "Unidentified Flying Object"/ "UFO"/ "Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon"/ "UAP" occurring at or near the vicinity of Three Mile Island Nuclear Generating Station, Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Limerick Generating Station, and Susquehanna Steam Electric Station, respectively.

Since the nuclear power plants are all located within Region I, along with the Office of Nuclear Security & Response (NSIR), we tasked these offices for a fee estimate. After sending you that fee estimate, and receiving your advance payment, we tasked RI and NSIR to search for any responsive records. In their effort to fashion an appropriate search, RI staff sought clarification of the search terms that should be used. On February 14th, we spoke with you about the search terms we should use. You stated that, for each location (and for the time periods identified), the following terms should be used: (1) "Unidentified Flying Object," (2) "UFO," (3) "Unidentified Aerial Phenomena," and (4) "UAP." In view of the search terms you specified, the number of hours estimated to be needed to conduct a search for responsive records was too high; as such, you will receive a refund of the advanced payment you made.

No responsive records were located.

Signature - Freedom of Information Act Officer or Designee

Stephanie A. Blaney

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