



## Department of Energy

Bonneville Power Administration  
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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PROGRAM

August 18, 2020

In reply refer to: FOIA #BPA-2020-01022-F

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Dear Mr. O'Bryant,

Thank you for your interest in the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). The agency received your request for records made under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, (FOIA) on August 4, 2020. Your request was assigned Department of Energy (DOE) tracking number BPA-2020-01022-F. Please use that tracking number in any correspondence with the agency concerning your request. This communication is the agency's formal acknowledgment and final response to your request.

### **Request**

"All records related in whole or in part to the Portland Police Bureau (PPB), Mayor Ted Wheeler, Portland City Commissioner Amanda Fritz, Portland City Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty, Portland City Commissioner Chloe Eudaly, Portland City Auditor Mary Hull Caballero between the dates of May 26, 2020 and August 3, 2020."

### **Acknowledgement**

BPA has reviewed your request and has determined that it fulfills all of the criteria of a proper request under the FOIA and DOE regulations at Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1004.

### **Expedited Processing**

BPA has granted your request for expedited processing. The agency acknowledges that, in compliance with DOE FOIA guidelines, a compelling need exists to expediently provide records and a final response. The FOIA indicates that a compelling need can be found to exist when a request is submitted by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information and there is an urgency to inform the public about actual or alleged agency activities.

### **Response**

BPA searched for records responsive to your request in the agency's Physical Security and Communications offices. Knowledgeable agency personnel in those offices were unable to locate agency records responsive to your request.

Additionally, BPA's Cyber Security office conducted a search of the agency email system using the keywords provided in the request. The keyword search for records did find 571 pages of media articles published by outside sources. We do not consider media articles to be agency records; BPA did not create them, nor did BPA employees rely upon them to conduct agency business. Because the documents are not agency records, they are not subject to FOIA.

**Fees**

There are no fees associated with the processing of your FOIA request.

**Certification**

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 1004.7(b)(2), I am the individual responsible for the information provided above. Your FOIA request BPA-2020-01022-F is now closed with no responsive agency records available to provide.

**Appeal**

The adequacy of the search may be appealed within 90 calendar days from your receipt of this letter pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 1004.8. Appeals should be addressed to:

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals  
HG-1, L'Enfant Plaza  
U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20585-1615

The written appeal, including the envelope, must clearly indicate that a FOIA appeal is being made. You may also submit your appeal by e-mail to [OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov](mailto:OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov), including the phrase "Freedom of Information Appeal" in the subject line. (The Office of Hearings and Appeals prefers to receive appeals by email.) The appeal must contain all the elements required by 10 C.F.R. § 1004.8, including a copy of the determination letter. Thereafter, judicial review will be available to you in the Federal District Court either (1) in the district where you reside, (2) where you have your principal place of business, (3) where DOE's records are situated, or (4) in the District of Columbia.

You may contact BPA's FOIA Public Liaison, Jason Taylor, at the address on this letter header for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

Office of Government Information Services  
National Archives and Records Administration  
8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS  
College Park, Maryland 20740-6001  
E-mail: [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov)  
Phone: 202-741-5770  
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448  
Fax: 202-741-5769

Questions about this communication may be directed to Thanh Knudson, Flux Resources, LLC, at [etknudson@bpa.gov](mailto:etknudson@bpa.gov) or 503.230.5221

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Candice D. Palen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Candice D. Palen  
Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer