Department of Energy



Bonneville Power Administration P.O. Box 3621 Portland, Oregon 97208-3621

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT/PRIVACY PROGRAM

August 29, 2023

In reply refer to: FOIA #BPA-2023-01279-F

SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY TO: jlassiat@kahua.com

Jacob Lassiat, Intern Sales Operations Kahua 10000 Avalon Blvd., Suite 600 Alpharetta, Georgia 30009

Dear Mr. Lassiat,

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has received your request for agency records made under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (FOIA). The agency received your request on July 17, 2023. BPA has assigned your request a tracking number of BPA-2023-01279-F. Please use that tracking number in any correspondence with the agency regarding your FOIA request. This communication is the agency's formal acknowledgment and response to your information request.

Request

"...the names and contact information of people in your agency that deal with construction, facilities or project managers. [...] if there is no database of these individuals, could you provide building/construction records for your agency?"

Clarifications

Via email exchanges with the agency beginning July 17, 2023, your request scope was sought. While that scoping effort was undertaken, your request response was placed on hold, as permitted by the FOIA and associated regulations. Absent your needed feedback to date, the agency is here moving forward with a response to your FOIA request.

Acknowledgement

BPA reviewed your request and determined that it fulfills all of the criteria of a proper request under the FOIA and the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) FOIA regulations at Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1004.

Response

BPA searched for and gathered agency information in response to your FOIA request. Publicly available information responsive to your FOIA request can be accessed at the following agency web link:

https://www.bpa.gov/energy-and-services/customers-and-contractors/buying-or-selling-products-and-services

BPA invites you to explore that link for the agency's construction and other contracting information you seek.

Fees

There are no fees associated with processing your FOIA request.

Certification

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 1004.7(b)(2), I am the individual responsible for the records search and release described above. Your FOIA request BPA-2023-01279-F is now closed, with the responsive agency information provided.

Appeal

Note that the records release certified above is final. Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 1004.8, you may appeal the adequacy of the records search, and the completeness of this final records release, within 90 calendar days from the date of this communication. 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, 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.

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 Phone: 202-741-5770 Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Fax: 202-741-5769

Questions about this communication may be directed to James King, FOIA Public Liaison, at <u>jjking@bpa.gov</u> or 503-230-7621.

Sincerely,

Rachel L. Hull Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer