



Department of Energy

Bonneville Power Administration
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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT/PRIVACY PROGRAM

November 27, 2023

In reply refer to: FOIA BPA-2023-01648-F

SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY TO: (b) (6)

Colin Aamot

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Dear Mr. Aamot,

This communication is the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) final response to your request for agency records made under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (FOIA). Your request was received on September 14, 2023, and formally acknowledged on October 18, 2023. The portion of your request seeking "...all opened or closed Inspection [sic] General Investigations (OIG) for calendar years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023" was transferred to the Office of the Inspector General at the Department of Energy.

Request

"...all FOIA appeal logs by year (calendar years 2010 to present). ...all Mandatory Declassification Review (MDR) request and appeal logs by year (calendar years 2010 to present). ...all opened or closed Inspection [sic] General Investigations (OIG) for calendar years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023. ...Congressional Correspondence Control logs (or similar control logs containing logs of all Congressional correspondence) for calendar years 2010 to present. [...]"

Response

BPA gathered records responsive to your request Specific search details follow below:

- The FOIA Office does not create or maintain appeal logs. BPA FOIA appeals are stored individually with the relevant case file, and appeals are not frequent enough to require a separate log for tracking.
- Subject matter experts from the agency's Personnel and Information Security Office report that BPA does not perform mandatory declassification reviews.
- Subject matter experts from the agency's Regional Relations office collected eight pages of responsive records. Those eight pages accompany this communication, with minor redactions applied under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) (Exemption 6). Please note, BPA did not create or maintain congressional correspondence logs before 2016.

Explanation of Exemptions

The FOIA generally requires the release of all responsive agency records upon request. However, the FOIA permits or requires withholding certain limited information that falls under one or more of nine

statutory exemptions (5 U.S.C. §§ 552(b)(1-9)). Further, section (b) of the FOIA, which contains the FOIA's nine statutory exemptions, also directs agencies to publicly release any reasonably segregable, non-exempt information that is contained in those records.

Exemption 6

Exemption 6 serves to protect Personally Identifiable Information (PII) contained in agency records when no overriding public interest in the information exists. BPA does not find an overriding public interest in a release of the information redacted under Exemption 6—specifically, the names of individuals not engaged in or carrying out government business. This information sheds no light on the executive functions of the agency and BPA finds no overriding public interest in its release. BPA cannot waive these redactions, as the protections afforded by Exemption 6 belong to individuals and not to the agency.

Lastly, as required by 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(8)(A), information has been withheld only in instances where (1) disclosure is prohibited by statute, or (2) BPA foresees that disclosure would harm an interest protected by the exemption cited for the record. When full disclosure of a record is not possible, the FOIA statute further requires that BPA take reasonable steps to segregate and release nonexempt information. The agency has determined that in certain instances partial disclosure is possible and has accordingly segregated the records into exempt and non-exempt portions.

Fees

There are no fees associated with processing your FOIA request.

Certification

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 1004.7, I am the individual responsible for the records search and information release described above. Your FOIA request BPA-2023-01648-F is now closed, with all available records 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

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

Sincerely,

RACHEL HULL  Digitally signed by RACHEL HULL
Date: 2023.11.24 14:30:44 -08'00'

Rachel L. Hull
Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer

| TAC no. | ECO (BPA's #) | Control | Description | Logged by | Log date | Due date | Status | Signed by | Location(s) |
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| AIR-2023-001 | | | DOE Request for BPA 2023 Goals | Troy Wright | 1/10/2023 | 1/12/2023 | complete, DM sent to AIN | | R:\DOE\2023\AIR-2023-001_DOE Request for BPA |
| AIR-2023-002 | | | Response letter to Wyden re: external banking account | Troy Wright | 3/7/2023 | 3/9/2023 | complete, Ben email to AIN 3/9/23; original overnight to AIN | John Hairston | R:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\23\AIR-2023-002_Response letter to Wyden regarding external |
| AIR-2023-003 | | | Finalize BPA's decision on allowing NWPPC to retain FY22 budget | Troy Wright | 3/15/2023 | 3/24/2023 | complete, returned 3/27/23 | n/a | R:_ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS_organize\TAC_2018-current\2023\AIR-2023-003_BPA decision |
| AIR-2023-004 | | EXEC-2023-001218 | Response letter to McMorris Rodgers and Bentz | Troy Wright | 3/15/2023 | 3/22/2023 | closed, sent to AIN 3/22/23 | n/a | R:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\23\AIR-2023-004_Response letter to McMorris Rodgers- |
| AIR-2023-005 | | | Response letter to Governor Inslee | Troy Wright | 4/4/2023 | 4/14/2023 | closed, Liz sent to Gov. Inslee | John Hairston | R:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\23\AIR-2023- |
| AIR-2023-006 | | | Testimony of BPA for May 23 House | Troy Wright | 5/9/2023 | 5/12/2023 | closed, DM sent to AIN via email | n/a | R:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2023\House WWP |
| AIR-2023-007 | | | Retirement letter (b) (6) | Troy Wright | 5/24/2023 | 6/1/2023 | closed, hand delivered to Liz | John Hairston | R:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2023\House WWF |
| AIR-2023-008 | | | Hairston testimony to WWF Subcommittee June 26 | Troy Wright | 6/12/2023 | 6/24/2023 | closed | n/a | Northwest at Risk - Official records June 2023 |
| AIR-2023-009 | | | Hairston testimony to E&C Committee September 20 | Troy Wright | 8/28/2023 | 9/1/2023 | closed, draft testimony emailed to AIN 9/1/23 | n/a | R:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2023\House E&C |
| AIR-2023-010 | ECO-2023-0008 | | Response letter to Rep Bentz | Troy Wright | 10/27/2023 | 11/14/2023 | | | Hearing on Hydro Legislation Sept 2023 - OFFICIAL |
| AIR-2023-011 | ECO-2023-0009 | | Questions for the Record, House Energy Subcommittee | Troy Wright | 11/7/2023 | 11/14/2023 | | | |

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| AIR-2022-031722 | | | BPA response ltr to Rep. Larsen re: Intalco | Cyndee Case | 3/17/2022 | 4/1/2022 | closed - signed 3/25 and submitted to AIN | John Hairston | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\2022\Rep Larsen 031722 |
| AIR-2022-032322 (2022-005) | ECO-2021-0002 | | BPA response to PNW Congressional Del. Re: CEQ process | Cyndee Case | 3/23/2022 | 4/5/2022 | closed, sent to AIN 2/28/23 | John Hairston | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\2022\PNW delegation members 032322 |
| AIR-2022-005 | EXEC-2022-005320 | | Response to PNW Congressional Delegation Members on E3 Study | Troy Wright | 1/31/2023 | 2/6/2023 | closed | | R:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\2022\AIR-2022-005_PNW delegation on E3 CRSO study |
| AIR-2022-006 | EXEC-2022-004770 | | Opposing Blue Wolf's Proposal to Restart Smelter | Kathie Manchester | 8/15/2022 | 8/25/2022 | closed | | R:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\2022\AIR-2022-006_Opposing Blue Wolf's proposal to restart |
| AIR-2022-007 | | | Response letter to Rep Bentz re: BPA Cluster Study Process | Kathie Manchester | 9/23/2022 | 9/27/2022 | closed | | R:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\2022\AIR-2022-007_Bentz per Cluster Studies 09-22 |
| | EXEC-2022-003471 | | Write ins to S1 on Snake Dams | Kathie Manchester | 7/13/2022 | n/a | | | R:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\2022\EXEC-2022-003471_Write ins to S1 on Snake Dams |
| | EXEC-2022-003682 | | Tribal leaders to CEQ | Kathie Manchester | 7/1/2022 | n/a | | | R:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\2022\EXEC-2022-003682_Tribal leaders to CEQ |

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| DIR-2021-010421 | | | Request to Representative Blumenauer from (b) (6) requesting documentation of service as a Federal employee. | CDC | 10421 | 12021 | closed | John Hairston | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\21\Blumenauer 010421 |
| DIR-2021-0105 | | | Annual letter from the Administrator regarding Council's Response to Representatives Cathy McMorris Rodgers and Dan Newhouse regarding the Banks Lake Pumped Storage | CDC | 10521 | 11121 | closed closed sent via emial | John Hairston | W:\NWPCC\2021\Council Annual Letter W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\21\McMorris |
| DIR-2021-0825 | ECO-2021-0001 | | Repsonse to Representative Pramila Jayapal re: Proposed Man Holes and Storm Drain Catch Basins_ Cobble Hill | CDC | 82521 | 92221 | 9/22/21 to DIN closed sent via emial | John Hairston | Rodgers and Dan Newhouse 082521 W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\21\Rep Pramila Jayapal |
| DIR-2021-0902 | ECO-2021-0003 | | Reponse to Representative Simpson re: constituent (b) (6) | CDC | 91721 | 100821 | closed sent via emial | John Hairston | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\21\Rep. Simpson |
| DIR-2021-0917 | ECO-2021-0004 | | 2021 Year end report to Secretary | CDC | 121021 | 121021 | closed sent to AIN | N/A | W:\DOE\2021 |

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| DIR-2019-0213 Doug Marker | | | Administrator's NR EMR oversight hearing of PMA issues scheduled for March 12, 2019 | CDC | 2/19/2019 | 2/21/2019 | closed | N/A | W:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2019\Mainzer Testimony March 12, 2019 |
| DIR-2019-0220 - Doug Marker | | | Feb. 15 WEIL thank you letters to Scott Drury and Caroline Winn | CDC | 2/20/2019 | 2/22/2019 | closed | Elliot Mainzer | W:\Doug's stuff\BPA Issues\Administrator and Administration\2019\WEIL |
| DI-2019-0225 Peter Cogswell | | | Annual letter from the Administrator for Council's annual report to Congress re: (b) (6) | CDC | 2/25/2019 | 3/8/2019 | closed | Elliot Mainzer | W:\NWPCC\2019\TAC\Ltr. Annual report to congress |
| DIR-2019-0404 Doug Marker | ECO-2019-0003 | EXEC-2019-001730 | Ltr to CI from Sen. Wyden re: (b) (6) | CDC | 3/28/2019 | 4/29/2019 | closed | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\19\Wyden - 04032019 Note: Ltr mailed to Wyden's office prior to DOE approval. |
| DIR-2019-0502 Doug Marker | | | Deputy Admin. SENR-PMA oversight hearing of PMA issues scheduled for May 15, 2019 | CDC | 5/2/2019 | 5/6/2019 | closed | N/A | W:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2019\Dan James Testimony May 15, 2019 |
| DIR-2019-0528 Doug Marker | | | QFRs for Deputy Admin. SENR-PMA oversight hearing of PMA issues scheduled for May 15, 2019 | CDC | 5/28/2019 | 6/4/2019 | closed | N/A | W:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2019\BPA QFRs Dan James May 15 testimony |
| DIR-2019-0610 Doug Marker | | | Thank you Ltr from Admin. To WEIL host Melanie Frye, WECC | CDC | 6/10/2019 | 6/12/2019 | closed | N/A | W:\Doug's stuff\BPA Issues\Administrator and Administration\2019\WEIL\WEIL June 7 |
| DIR-2019-0612 Doug Marker | | | Thank you Ltr from Admin. To WEIL guest Gov. Ritter | CDC | 6/12/2019 | 6/14/2019 | closed | N/A | W:\Doug's stuff\BPA Issues\Administrator and Administration\2019\WEIL\WEIL June 7 |
| DIR-2019-0612 2 DIR-2019-0718 Josh Warner | | | Thank you Ltr from the Admin. To (b) (6) retiree from DOE | CDC | 6/12/2019 | 6/14/2019 | closed | N/A | W:\TAC |
| DIR-2019-0723 Doug Marker | | | Condolence Ltr re: (b) (6) | CDC | 7/18/2019 | 7/19/2019 | closed | EM | W:\TAC\RO (b) (6) |
| DIR-2019-0723 Doug Marker | | EXEC-2019-004678 | Ltr to CI Melissa Burnison from Josh Lozano, Office of Congressman Newhouse | CDC | 7/23/2019 | 8/19/2019 | closed | Mike Miller | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\19\Newhouse |
| DIR-2019-0821 Doug Marker | | EXEC-2019-005303 | Ltr to CI from Rep. Herrera Beutler re: a ltr (b) (6) | CDC | 8/26/2019 | 9/19/2019 | closed | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\19\Rep. Herrera Beutler - 082619 |
| DIR-2019-0826 Doug Marker | | EXEC-2019-004974 | Joint letter to BPA, Corps and Reclamation Baskerville Testimony, House Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the US | CDC | 8/26/2019 | 9/9/2019 | closed | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\19\Joint letter to BPA, Corps and Reclamation |
| DIR-2019-0909 Doug Marker | | | Email to CI (b) (6) from Marshal Jevntng of Rep. Suzanne Bonamici's office referring a letter from a former employee. | CDC | 9/9/2019 | 9/10/2019 | closed | N/A | W:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2019\Baskerville Testimony Sept. 18, 2019 |
| DIR-2019-0926 Doug Marker | ECO-2019-0011 | EXEC-2019-006000 | QFRs for Sonya Baskerville Hearing on S 219 Sept. 19, 2019 | CDC | 9/25/2019 | 10/24/2019 | closed | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\19\Rep. Bonamici 092519 |
| DIR-2019-0925 Doug Marker | ECO-2019-0012 | | Ltr to CI referring a ltr to Jodey Arrington (b) (6) | CDC | 9/25/2019 | 10/1/2019 | closed | N/A | W:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2019\BPA QFRs Sonya Baskerville Sept. 19 testimony |
| DIR-2019-1211 Doug Marker | ECO-2019-0013 | EXEC-2019-007340 | | CDC | 12/12/2019 | 12/31/2019 | closed | Brian Carter | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\19\Rep. Arrington |
| DIR-2019-1218 Doug Marker | | | Thank you ltrs to Govs for meeting w/ WEIL Members | CDC | 12/18/2019 | 12/20/2019 | closed | N/A | W:\Doug's stuff\BPA Issues\Administrator and Administration\2019\WEIL |

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| DIR-2017-0117 | | FY17 Council Budget Proposal FY17-19 (b) | | | | | | |
| Peter Cogswell | | | CDC | 1/18/2017 | 1/18/2017 | signed 1/18/17 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\NWPCC\2017\FY17 TAC |
| DIR-2017-0203 | | FY17 Cover ltr for Annual Report re: (b) | | | | | | |
| Peter Cogswell | | | CDC | 2/3/2018 | 2/13/2017 | signed 2/3/17 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\NWPCC\2017\FY17 TAC |
| DIR-2017-0214 | | | | | | | | W:\Doug's stuff\BPA Issues\Administrator and Administration\2018\WEIL 2018 |
| Doug Marker | | WEIL thank you ltr Rich Glick and Scott Drury | CDC | 2/14/2017 | 2/14/2017 | signed 02/15/17 | Elliot Mainzer | |
| DIR-2017-0302 | | Testimony for House Energy Subcommittee, | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | Kieran Connolly, March 15, 2017 | CDC | 3/2/2017 | 3/6/2017 | closed | Kieran Connolly | W:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2017 |
| DIR-2017-0407 | | | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | QFRs re: Fred Upton | CDC | 4/7/2017 | 4/11/2017 | closed | N/A | W:\CONGRESS\HEARINGS\2017 |
| DIR-2017-0510 | | Ltr. To Sen. Jon Tester re: Montana Intertie | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | Rate | CDC | 5/10/2017 | 5/31/2017 | signed 6/2/17 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\17 |
| DIR-2017-0522 | | Draft ltr. To four delegation members re: | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | FCRPS: Newhouse | CDC | 5/22/2017 | 6/2/2017 | signed 6/5/17 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\17 |
| DIR-2017-0619 | | Ltr. To Sen. Maria Cantwell/ Jeff Merkley re: | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | Mont. Intertie Rate | CDC | 6/19/2017 | 6/30/2017 | signed 7/20/2017 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\17 |
| DIR-2017-0626 | | Ltr. to Gov. Steve Bullock re: Mont. Intertie | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | Rate | CDC | 6/26/2017 | 7/6/2017 | signed 6/27/17 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\17 |
| DIR-2017-0629 | | Ltr. To Chris R. Holed re: response to Cal. State | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | Assembly Committee, SB100 (1/2) | CDC | 6/29/2017 | 6/29/2017 | signed 6/29/17 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\17 |
| DIR-2017-0707 | | Ltr. to Christina Garcia re: Cal. State Assembly | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | Committee, SB100 (2/2) | CDC | 7/7/2017 | 7/10/2017 | signed 7/10/17 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\17 |
| DIR-2017-0814 | | Ltr. to Gov. Steve Bullock re: Mont. Intertie | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | Rate | CDC | 8/14/2017 | 8/21/2017 | signed 8/24/17 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\17 |
| DIR-2017-0911 | | | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | | Background memo for new S2 | CDC | 9/11/2017 | 9/29/2017 | signed 9/28/17 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\Doug's stuff\DOE Reports\2017 |
| DIR-2017-0926 | | Ltr. To Council re: Final FY18-2027 Council | | | | | | |
| Peter Cogswell | | Budget BP-18 | CDC | 9/26/2017 | 9/26/2017 | signed 09/26/17 | Peter Cogswell | W:\NWPCC\2017\FY17 TAC |
| DIR-2017-1011 | | | | | | | | W:\Doug's stuff\BPA Issues\Administrator and Administration\2017\WEIL 2017\October 2017 WEIL |
| Doug Marker | | WEIL thank you letter to Pat Hoffman | CDC | 10/11/2017 | 10/11/2017 | signed 10/16/17 | Elliot Mainzer | |

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| DIR-2016-0629 | | | McMorris Rodgers re: Banks Lake pumped storage | | | | | Elliot Mainzer | |
| Doug Marker | | ECO-2016-00xx | project proposal | CDC | 6/29/2016 | 7/19/2016 | signed 08/08/16 | Lorri Lee | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\16 |
| DIR-2016-0920 | EXEC-2016- | | Ltr. to Jaime Herrera Beutler (b) (6) | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | 005050 | ECO-2016-0040 | BPA disability retirement status | CDC | 9/20/2016 | 9/23/2016 | signed 9/23/16 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\16 |
| DIR-2016-0929 | EXEC-2015- | | | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | 006872 | ECO-2016-0042 | Ltr. (b) (6) re: Federal Employment | CDC | 9/27/2016 | 10/18/2016 | signed 10/13/16 | Shana Kuhn | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\16 |
| DIR-2016-1118 | EXEC-2016- | | Ltr. to Diane Feinstein (b) (6) | | | | | | |
| Doug Marker | 006609 | ECO 2016-0055 | directed toward Coeur d'Alene Tribe | CDC | 11/14/2016 | 11/25/2016 | signed 12/16/16 | Elliot Mainzer | W:\CONGRESS\LETTERS\16 |