

# **Department of Energy**

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

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT/PRIVACY PROGRAM

April 30, 2025

In reply refer to: FOIA #BPA-2025-01076-F

SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY TO: PII REMOVED

Casey Schnell

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Dear Mr. Schnell,

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 November 29, 2024, and formally acknowledged on December 17, 2024.

### **Original Request**

From your November 29, 2024, request and from your November 27, 2024, telephone conversation with BPA personnel, the agency understands that you seek, "...information that highlights the [software] technology vendors and consulting organizations that the BPA is working with as of 11/27/24, for example MCG Energy. I would also like to review the [software] technology vendors and consulting orgs that have unsuccessfully competed against your current technology vendors in RFPs, if possible."

## **BPA's Re-Scope Inquiry**

Via December 6 and 13, 2024, emails to you the agency inquired on a needed clarification. The agency sought further definition for "information that highlights [...third parties...] that BPA is working with." On the telephone you expressed interest in getting solely a list of BPA's current software technology vendors and consultants. That might be a notably lengthy listing because BPA uses hundreds of applications and systems. To help us help you, we asked you to define more of what information you seek, e.g., a specific type of software vendor.

## Clarifications

You provided a clarification, received December 16, 2024, indicating that you seek solely a "… list of software vendors that BPA uses that relate to the following categories:

- Asset management software
- Energy trading and risk management software (ETRM)

- credit risk management software managing credit risk, including counterparty, contract, collateral, exposure management
- energy accounting system managing time series data
- billing software
- permit to work software"

In re your original request for, "...the [software] technology vendors and consulting orgs that have unsuccessfully competed against your current technology vendors in RFPs..." and the likelihood that the agency will withhold that information under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3) (Exemption 3) and 41 U.S.C. § 4702 (which exists as a prohibition on the public release of proposal-submittal information that otherwise might be responsive to a FOIA request), the agency will scope out/not collect the requested information on unsuccessful competitors. The benefit to you is that our collections and reviews process on what else you seek will go along quicker, and we'll be in a better position to provide the other information you seek more quickly. Thank you again for working with the agency to refine your FOIA request.

### Response

Knowledgeable subject matter experts in BPA's Corporate & Infrastructure office in Supply Chain Services searched for and gathered one page of records responsive to your request, consisting of 36 vendors. That page accompanies this communication, released in full.

#### 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-2025-01076-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 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 jjking@bpa.gov or at 503-230-7621. You may also contact Brian Roth, FOIA Case Coordinator, at bsroth@bpa.gov or 503-230-4383.

Sincerely,

Candice D. Palen Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer

Responsive agency information accompanies this communication.

Vendor Supply Name
1. Accenture Federal Services Llc
2. ALVAREZ LLC
3. ASSETWORKS LLC
4. BAHFED CORP
5. Bentley Systems Inc
6. CERIUM NETWORKS
7. Dh Technologies Llc
8. ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATES
9. ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INSTITUTE
10. General Dynamics Information Technology
11. HARTIGEN SOLUTIONS LLC
12. IMMIXTECHNOLOGY INC
13. INTEGRATION TECHNOLOGIES GROUP INC
14. Integration Technologies Group Inc
15. IRON MOUNTAIN OFF-SITE DATA PROTECTION
16. Links Technology Solutions Inc
17. MINBURN TECHNOLOGY GROUP INC
18. New Tech Solutions Inc
19. OGIS COMMUNICATION GROUP INC
20. Ogis Communication Group Inc
21. Open Access Technology International Inc
22. POWER COSTS INC
23. Redhawk It Solutions Llc
24. Science Applications International Corp
25. SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP
26. Shi International Corp
27. SUNVIEW SOFTWARE
28. Svanaco Inc
29. The Mathworks Inc
30. The North Highland Company Llc
31. TRACE 3 LLC
32. TRILLIANT NETWORKS INC
33. Trilliant Networks Inc
34. Utilicast Llc
35. V3GATE LLC
36. VAISALA INC