



Department of Energy

Bonneville Power Administration
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SECURITY AND CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS

May 21, 2013

In reply refer to: NN-1

Leonardo R. Giacchino, Ph.D.
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4915 St. Elmo Ave., Ste 400
Bethesda, MD 20814

FOIA #BPA-2013-00946-F

Dear Dr. Giacchino:

Thank you for your request for records that you made to the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552. Your request was received in this office on Friday, April 26, 2013, and has been assigned control number BPA-2013-00964-F. Please use this number in any correspondence with the Agency about your request.

You requested the following:

All documents, including electronic documents, regarding the Port-Angeles-Juan de Fuca Transmission (or Sea Breeze) Project.

In a phone conversation with Kim Winn you were directed to the project's external website where a large number of project documents are posted. Your request was placed on hold while you reviewed those documents.

In a letter dated May 3, 2013, you narrowed your request to:

- (a) any submissions, correspondence or emails made by Sea Breeze Pacific Regional Transmission System, Inc. concerning the Sea Breeze Project;
- (b) any comments on these submissions made by interested parties;
- (c) any evaluations of these submissions made by the Bonneville Power Administration; and,
- (d) any decision on these submissions made by the Bonneville Power Administration and/or any permits, approvals, licenses, authorizations or the like granted by the Bonneville Power Administration.

We reviewed your request and determined that it addresses all of the criteria of a proper request under the FOIA, DOE, and BPA regulation that implements the FOIA at Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1004.

You agreed to pay up to \$500 in fees associated with this request.

BPA has twenty (20) working days to respond to your request. Due to the hold placed on the request, the date for a response to you is Friday, May 31, 2013.

On May 6, 2013, Ms. Winn emailed you that the comments submitted on this project had been published in the Environmental Impact Statement posted to the project website. We consider item (b) of your revised request to be closed.

Currently we are preparing the responsive documents to go out for an Exemption 4 review by the commercial entities involved. They must review their documents and submit any objections to release. Once BPA has their submissions, the FOIA attorney must perform an analysis to determine the appropriate application of Exemption 4 based on the law, and make a final determination on release. We then notify the commercial entities of that determination, and must wait for seven working days before we release the documents redacted in accordance with the final determination.

The Exemption 4 process can be lengthy. Rest assured that BPA will work as quickly as possible to complete your request.

Please contact Kim Winn, FOIA Specialist, at 503-230-5273 with any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

/s/Christina J. Munro

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Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer



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Dear Dr. Giacchino:

Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) is taking an allowed ten working-day extension starting Friday, May 31, 2013, in order to complete your FOIA request.

You requested:

All documents, including electronic documents, regarding the Port-Angeles-Juan de Fuca Transmission (or Sea Breeze) Project.

We are beginning the Exemption 4 review process on the responsive documents that do not belong to BPA.

The new target date for your response is Friday, June 14, 2013.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. Please contact our office at 503-230-7305 with any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

/s/Christina J. Munro

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