



Department of Energy

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

SECURITY AND CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS

September 24, 2013

In reply refer to: NN-1

Paul Koberstein
Cascadia Times
4037 N. Overlook Terrace
Portland, OR 97227

FOIA #BPA-2013-01716-F

Dear Mr. Koberstein:

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 Thursday, September 19, 2013, and assigned a control number, BPA-2013-01716-F. Please use this number in any correspondence with the Agency about your request.

You requested:

“Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of documents related to proposals to replace the condenser at the Columbia Generating Station from 2000 to 2013, plus all briefing papers, white papers, policy documents and economic analyses that evaluate the Columbia Generating Station's safety, technical, mechanical or financial problems from 2000 to 2013.”

In an email dated Friday, September 20, 2013, you limited your request to “all documents related to the Columbia Generating Station condenser that are dated 2000 to 2013.”

We have reviewed your letter and have 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.

Your request for a waiver of fees is granted.

BPA has twenty (20) working days to respond to your request. The due date for a response to you is Friday, October 18, 2013.

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

Sincerely,

/s/Christina J. Munro

Christina J. Munro

Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer



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SECURITY AND CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS

October 22, 2013

In reply refer to: NN-1

Paul Koberstein
Cascadia Times
4037 N. Overlook Terrace
Portland, OR 97227

FOIA #BPA-2013-01716-F

Dear Mr. Koberstein:

BPA is taking an allowed ten working-day extension starting Friday, October 18, 2013, in order to complete your Freedom of Information Act request.

You requested:

“Copies of all documents related to the Columbia Generating Station condenser that are dated 2000 to 2013.”

The new target date for your response is Friday, November 1, 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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Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer



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SECURITY AND CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS

January 13, 2014

In reply refer to: NN-1

Paul Koberstein
Cascadia Times
4037 N. Overlook Terrace
Portland, OR 97227

FOIA #BPA-2013-01716-F

Dear Mr. Koberstein:

This is a follow up response to 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.

You have requested:

“all documents related to the Columbia Generating Station condenser that are dated 2000 to 2013.”

A partial release was forwarded to you on December 13, 2013

The statute requires that requests be acted on “promptly,” and “every effort” be made to respond within 20 working days. However, BPA has determined that your request for information is a “complex” request. A complex request is defined in the FOIA as “unusual circumstances” exist. Unusual circumstances are defined as searching inactive records; where a “voluminous” amount of data is involved; where information about other individuals has to be redacted; or where BPA has to consult with another agency which has a substantial interest in the response.

Additionally, “exceptional circumstances” exist due to an unexpected and unusual spike in the volume of requests. Be assured that every effort is being made to complete your request as timely as possible. We are processing complex requests in a “first in, first out” basis and will keep you apprised of our progress. Our current estimated goal date for completing your request is June 30, 2014.

As required by FOIA, we are informing you that you have the opportunity to limit the scope of your request, or arrange with BPA an alternative time frame for processing the request or a modified request. Please contact this office if you wish to make those arrangements.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. Please contact Kim Winn, Government Information Specialist (FOIA/Privacy Act) at 503-230-7305 with any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

/s/Christina J. Munro

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT/PRIVACY PROGRAM

June 26, 2014

In reply refer to: D-1

Paul Koberstein
Cascadia Times
4037 N. Overlook Terrace
Portland, OR 97227

FOIA #BPA-2013-01716-F

Dear Mr. Koberstein:

This letter is in reference to your Freedom of Information Act request received September 19, 2013 and clarified in an email received September 20, 2013. In our letter dated January 13, 2014, we notified you that we would not be able to complete the request within the normal statutory timeframe, and set a revised due date of June 30, 2014.

You requested:

All documents related to the Columbia Generating Station condenser that are dated 2000 to 2013.

Two partial releases have been made, one on December 13, 2013 and a second on May 19, 2014. Additional time will be needed to process the remaining eight documents. Our new target date for response to you is September 30, 2014. We will keep you updated on our progress.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Kim Winn, FOIA Public Liaison, at 503-230-5273.

Sincerely,

/s/Christina J. Munro
Christina J. Munro
Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Officer