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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request Form

To make an Electronic FOIA (E-FOIA) request, please provide the information below. Failure to enter accurate and complete information may render your FOIA request impossible to fulfill.

Requests submitted under the Privacy Act must be signed and, therefore, cannot be submitted on this form.

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RECEIVED BY BPA FOIA OFFICE THIS DATE 9/19/13
DUE DATE: 10/18/13
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Reasonably Describe Records

Describe the specific record(s) you seek with sufficient detail that a knowledgeable official of the activity may locate the record with a reasonable amount of effort. Such detail should include: dates, titles, file designations, and offices to be searched.

Since most DOE records are not retained permanently, the more information you provide, the better the opportunity there is to determine if the records involved still exist and where. The FOIA clearly states that records must exist at the time the request is submitted.

Enter description:

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.

Specify preferred form or format:

Electronic

Type of Requester

Select a description of yourself and the purpose of the request to help determine your category for assessing fees:

- An individual seeking information for personal use and not for commercial use.
- Affiliated with an educational or noncommercial scientific institution, and this request is made for scholarly or scientific purposes and not for commercial use.
- Affiliated with a private corporation and seeking information for the use in the company's business.
- A representative of the news media affiliated with

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and the request is made as part of news gathering and not for commercial use.

Select Type of media:

- Newspaper
- Magazine
- Television Station
- Other:

Fees and Fee Waivers

Your request must include a statement that (1) you agree to pay any fees that may be incurred to process the request, (2) stipulates an amount you are willing to pay, or (3) requests specific waiver or reduction of fees.

Please select the statement that applies:

- I agree to pay all applicable fees.
- I agree to pay up to a specified amount for fees.

Enter amount

- I request a waiver or reduction of fees.

If you request a waiver or reduction of fees, we will consider the following six factors to make a determination. Please provide information that addresses these factors:

The subject of the request: Whether the subject of the requested records concerns, "the operations or activities of the government."

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of documents to replace the condenser at the Columbia Generating Station from 2000 to 2013, plus all briefing papers, policy documents and economic analyses of the Columbia Generating Station and its safety, technical, mechanical and economic problems from 2000 to 2013.

The informative value of the information to be disclosed: Whether the disclosure is, "likely to contribute," to an understanding of government operations or activities.

This information will contribute significantly to public understanding of technical, mechanical and economic issues raised by BPA staff members since 2000.

The contribution to an understanding by the general public of the subject likely to result from disclosure, taking into account your ability and intent to disseminate the information to the public in a form that can further understanding of the subject matter.

As editor of Cascadia Times, an environmental newspaper available on the Internet at www.times.org, I have written or several stories in Cascadia Times or other newspapers or magazines or books.

The significance of the contribution to public understanding: Whether the disclosure is likely to contribute "significantly" to public understanding of government operations or activities.

This information will help members of the public understand how aging, technical, mechanical and financial issues at the Columbia Generating Station are being addressed by the BPA in its oversight role as both an agency with legal jurisdiction in energy matters in the Pacific Northwest, and as the sole purchaser of energy generated at the Columbia Generating Station.

The existence and magnitude of a commercial interest: Whether the requester has a commercial interest that would be furthered by the requested disclosure, and, if so.

Neither Paul Koberstein and Cascadia Times has a significant commercial interest that would be furthered by the disclosure.

The primary interest in disclosure: Whether the magnitude of the identified commercial interest of the requester is significantly large, in comparison with the public interest in disclosure, that disclosure is, "primarily in the commercial interest of the requester."

No commercial interest exists.

If my request for a waiver or reduction in fees is denied, I agree to pay up to (enter amount) \$100.00 to process my request.

Expedited Processing

I request expedited processing of the request and provide a justification below. I believe a compelling need exists to warrant expedited processing because there is:

- an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual.
- an urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal Government activity (this option available ONLY for requesters primarily engaged in disseminating information).

Please provide your specific justification for expedited processing:

I am making this request as a journalist and this information is of timely value

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Enter the sum of the digits on the left into the box below.

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From: Paul Koberstein
Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 10:51 AM
To: Winn, Kim S (BPA) - NN-1
Subject: amended foia request

Hi, my name is Paul Koberstein, editor of Cascadia Times. on Sept 19 2013 I submitted a FOIA request regarding documents related to CGS. I ask that you limit this document search to only those documents related to the CGS condenser that were dated from 2000 to 2013.

Thank you, Paul