



Department of Energy

Bonneville Power Administration
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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT/PRIVACY PROGRAM

June 12, 2014

In reply refer to: D-B1

Patrick Moberg
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124 Third Ave, SW
Ephrata, WA 98823

FOIA #BPA-2014-01172-F

Dear Mr. Moberg:

We have received your request for records under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552). Thank you for your interest in the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). Your request was received in this office on Wednesday, May 28, 2014, and has been assigned control number BPA-2014-01172-F. Please use this number in any correspondence with the agency about your request.

You requested:

“Copies of all environmental compliance letters issued by Nancy Weintraub in the name of Terraqua, Inc., Mike Ward, Mike Wardski, and Jeremy Moberg between January 1, 2006, and December 31, 2011.”

We have reviewed your letter and determined that it addresses all of the criteria of a proper request under the FOIA and the Department of Energy’s FOIA regulations at Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1004.

FOIA requires that we act on requests “promptly,” and that we make a determination on your request and respond within 20 working days (5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)). The Bonneville Power Administration has instituted multi-track processing, as permitted by FOIA (5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(D)(i)). Simple requests and complex requests are placed in two different queues, and each queue is processed on its own first-in, first-out basis. Requests are placed in the complex queue if they will require significant agency time or resources to process. Your request has been placed in the complex queue.

Under FOIA, an agency may extend the normal 20-day deadline by an additional 10 business days if “unusual circumstances” exist (5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B)(i)). Unusual circumstances include the need to search records located in field facilities, requests for a voluminous amount of records, and requests that require consultation with other agencies or agency components, including Department of Energy headquarters. If an agency cannot fulfill the request within the 30 working days provided by the extended deadline, agencies must (a) notify the requester, and

(b) work with the requester to modify or limit the scope of the request or arrange an alternative time frame for processing (5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B)(ii)).

Your request involves unusual circumstances because the documents you requested may contain information provided to BPA from other entities and may require consultation. We currently estimate that we can complete your request by Tuesday, September 30, 2014. Because this date is outside of the permissible 30-day extended deadline, we will contact you shortly to discuss the possibility of modifying or limiting your request to permit faster processing.

You have agreed to pay up to \$100 in fees.

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,

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