



Department of Energy

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PROGRAM

April 9, 2015

In reply refer to: BPA-2014-01913-F

Victor deHackbeil
(b)(6)

To obtain a copy of
the responsive
records contact the
BPA FOIA Office at
503-230-5273

Dear Mr. deHackbeil:

This is a final response to your request for Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) records under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. Your request was received in our office on September 26, 2014. An acknowledgement letter was sent to you on October 3, 2014 and extension date letters were sent to you on January 27, March 4 and March 27, 2015.

You requested:

1. All travel or other expense reimbursement forms submitted by (b)(6) since Jan 1, 2011. These include expenses on travel cards issued directly to him, or purchase card expenses made on his behalf.
2. All statements itemizing charges since Jan. 1, 2011 on travel cards or government-issued credit cards held by (b)(6)
3. Any written or electronic documents that discuss whether (b)(6) used his travel or purchase cards for personal expenses, and whether he has been asked to reimburse BPA or the government for personal expenses on his travel cards or government-issued credit cards. This request includes e-mails describing the personal uses and the amount involved."

Response:

We conducted a search of the paper records of the payroll, travel, construction and maintenance departments. We have located 160 pages of material responsive to your request. We are releasing 57 pages in full and releasing 103 pages with redactions under Exemption 6.

Exemption 6 protects information in "personnel and medical files and similar files" when the disclosure of such information "would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy" (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6)). Exemption 6 requires balancing the public interest in the information against the individual privacy interest at issue. Here, we assert this exemption to redact home addresses, personal account numbers, credit card numbers and employee numbers in

addition to other personally identifiable information. We find no public interest in this information and therefore redact it under Exemption 6.

Information that falls under Exemption 6 cannot be discretionarily released; the right of privacy belongs to the individual, not to the agency. Therefore, we did not analyze this information under the discretionary release guidelines in Attorney General Holder's March 19, 2009, FOIA Memorandum.

There are no fees associated with this request.

Appeal:

Pursuant to Department of Energy FOIA regulations at 10 C.F.R. § 1004.8, you may administratively appeal this response in writing within 30 calendar days. If you choose to appeal, please include the following:

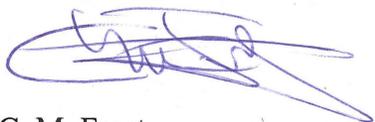
- (1) The nature of your appeal - denial of records, partial denial of records, adequacy of search, or denial of fee waiver;
- (2) Any legal authorities relied upon to support the appeal; and
- (3) A copy of the determination letter.

Clearly mark both your letter and envelope with the words "FOIA Appeal," and direct it to the following address:

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals
Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue SW
Washington DC 20585-1615

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. Part 1004.7(b)(2), I am the individual responsible for the determination withhold the information described above under Exemptions 5 and 6. I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Cushnie, Case Coordinator (BPA Contractor, ACS) at (503) 230-5986 or via email at cacushnie@bpa.gov

Sincerely,



C. M. Frost
Freedom of Information Act Officer

Enclosures: