



## Department of Energy

Bonneville Power Administration  
P.O. Box 3621  
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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PROGRAM

March 4, 2016

In reply refer to: FOIA #BPA-2016-00576-F

Ramon Cabauatan  
McCullough Research  
6123 S.E. Reed College Place  
Portland, Oregon 97202

Mr. Cabauatan:

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 February 12, 2016, and has been assigned control number BPA-2016-00576-F. Please use this number in any correspondence with the agency about your request.

**You requested:**

“Copies of the sign-in sheets from this week’s BPA focus 2028 workshops.”

We have reviewed your request 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.

**Final response:**

We conducted a search of the paper/electronic records of the Director of Energy Efficiency Services, Kim Thompson. We have located nine pages of material responsive to your request. We are releasing nine pages with certain information redacted under Exemption (b)(6) of the FOIA.

The Freedom of Information Act generally requires the release of all government records upon request. However, FOIA permits withholding certain, limited information that falls under one or more of nine statutory exemptions (5 U.S.C. §§ 552(b)(1-9)).

Exemption (b)(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 (b)(6) requires balancing the public interest in the information against the individual privacy interest at issue. Here, we assert this exemption to

redact individual's names. We find limited public interest in this information and therefore redact it under Exemption (b)(6). We are releasing the names of organizations because the privacy interest is limited to individuals. Moreover, we find a public interest in releasing information as to the organizations engaging with BPA in public processes.

Information that falls under Exemption (b)(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.

**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

There are no fees associated with this request.

Thank you for your interest in the Bonneville Power Administration. I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Kim Winn, Case Coordinator, at 503-230-5273.

Sincerely,



C. M. Frost  
Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer

Enclosure: Responsive documents

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(b)(6)	Mason PWD
	Affiliated Tribes of NW Indians
	NW River Partners
	PNUCC
	PNUCC
	WPAG
	CENTRALIA CITY LIGHT
	Grant PWD
	PPC
	PPC
	Oregon + Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility
	PPC
	ICNU
	ICNU

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(b)(6)	IBERDROLA
(b)(6)	IBERDROLA
(b)(6)	ISO
(b)(6)	PUBLIC GENERATING POOL
(b)(6)	Portland General Electric
(b)(6)	EWEB
(b)(6)	Benton PUD
(b)(6)	Franklin PUD
(b)(6)	Franklin PUD
(b)(6)	Richard Dyer Clark
(b)(6)	Clark PUD
(b)(6)	CLARK PUD
(b)(6)	NORTHWEST ENERGY EFFICIENCY ALLIANCE
(b)(6)	Mason PUD 3
(b)(6)	Mason PUD 3
(b)(6)	BPA
Roger Bentz	

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(b)(6)	PNGC Power
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	EQL Energy
	City of Ashland
	LAKEVIEW LIGHT & POWER
	LAKEVIEW LIGHT & POWER
	EWEB
	Snohomish PUD
	NW Power & Conservation Council
	Seattle City Light
	NW Energy Coalition
	CJB Energy Economics
	AF legal & consulting
	M-S-R
	Cowlitz PUD
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PNGC Power	

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Name	Organization
(b)(6)	Consumers Power, Inc. Flathead Electric Cooperative PNGC Power
Cathy Enli	BPA
(b)(6)	City of Port Angeles
SHANA KUHN	BPA
(b)(6)	NOAA Upper Snake River tribes FCS GROUP Clean Power Development LLC
	Energy Northwest "
	CRITFC

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(b)(6)	Franklin PUD
	ICNU
	Sushomish PUB
	Benton PUD
	McMINNVILLE WTR
	Benton PUD
	PNCC
	Clatskanie PUD
	Portland General
	Hardy Energy Consulting
	Seattle City Light
	CENTRALIA CITY LIGHT
	PAC
	Seattle City Light
EWEB	
UCW	
Fluthhead Elec. Co-op.	

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(b)(6)	Cowlitz PUD
	NRU
	AF Legal
	NW Energy Coalition
	Snohomish PUD
	NRU
	PNGC
	USRT
	IBERDROLA
	Oregon + Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility
	Eugene Water Electric Board
	Affiliated Tribes of NW Indians
	HARTVIEW LIGHT & POWER
	Mason PUD 3
	CRITFC EES Consulting

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<div style="font-size: 48pt; font-weight: bold;">(b)(6)</div>	CLARK PUD
	NRV
	EES Consulting
	Mason PUD 1
	Benton PUD
	Clearing Up
	NW Power & Conservation Council 1
	NW Energy Coalition
	NOCC
	NPCC
	WPAE
	RPC
	NWRP
	NWRP
	BPA
NDAA	
BRENT BARCLAY	BPA

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	<del>Benton</del> PUD
	Akana
	NW Energy Coalition
	M-S-R
	Wardy Energy Consulting NRU
	Snohomish PUD
	IBERDROLA
	Mason PUD 3
	PAC
	CA XU
	MWL
	EWEB
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(b)(6)	City of Port Angeles. Flatthead Elec. Co-op Snohomish PUD NOA