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FOIPA REQUEST

Case No: 2003-0354
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Related Case:

January 21, 2002

Margaret Grafeld
Director A/RPS-IPS
State Department
Washington, DC 20522

RE: FOIA Request

Dear Ms. Grafeld:

The request is under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552). We are writing to request documents and records related to the 1993 upgrade by Westinghouse Power Corporation done on a Czech nuclear power plant located in Temelin, Czech Republic. The four Westinghouse contracts for upgrades to the power plant included the replacement of the entire instrumentation and control system, supply of nuclear fuel and associated components, the diagnostic and monitoring system, the radiation monitoring system and the development of emergency operating procedures. We request the following:

1. Any cables or other documents received by the State Department relating to safety concerns of the Austrians or any other country regarding the operation of, modification to, or supply of nuclear power to the Temelin plant.

2. Any documents related to alleged irregularities in the bidding process by Westinghouse related to its contracts to perform services and provide materials to the Temelin plant.
3. All documents in your possession related to concerns voiced by non-profit organizations, government officials, or other agencies to banks, including, the U.S. Import-Export Bank, who provided financing to complete the modifications to the Temelin plant.
4. All quality, design and safety tests and the results thereof that were carried out on the automatic control technology (software and hardware) and on the fuel technology developed for Temelin.
5. All documents, certificates, inspection and safety protocols, tests, certificates and the results thereof for all components parts and services (software and planning) that were delivered, caused to be delivered or were part of the plans during the retrofitting of the Temelin plant by Westinghouse.
6. All documents related to seismic safety protocols and tests for the Temelin plant.
7. All documents related to the containment (single, double and /or multiple layered containment) at the Temelin plant.
8. All documents related to water, gas, oil and any other pipelines that enter the plant, including, pipe specifications, proximity studies, environmental impact studies, tests and recommendations regarding same.
9. All documents related to the alterations in the original power station design, including protocols, studies, inspections, monitoring, and safety and quality assurance.
10. All documents related to any investigations into the causes of the repeated breakdowns of the Temelin plant including, but not limited, to leaky weld seams, cracks or bursts in pipes, oil leakage, nickel alloy use in the reactor boiler, excessive turbine vibrations, leaking or cracked gaskets and fire-proofing.
11. All documents related to governmental agency reports and or complaints regarding defects, technical problems, quality assurance problems and fines imposed as a result of substandard, inadequate and/or other problematic construction, component parts, installation and/ or operational problems at Temelin.

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12. All documents, including, international reports, regarding safety and water level, weak spot and reactor levels, ducting, exhaust and/or ventilation of the steam pipes at the Temelin plant.
13. Documents related to the sprinkler and/or emergency cooling systems of the plant's reactor blocks.
14. All documents related to the "glitch impulses" of the software at the Temelin plant.
15. Documents related to the water coolant pipes that bring water from the Moldan River into the Temelin plant, including, but not limited to, the thickness of pipes, the name and address of the contractor who provided welding services of the pipes, whether sand was used to insulate/protect the pipes when laid, whether seismic considerations were taken into account when designing and laying the pipes.

We are willing to pay reasonable reproduction and transmittal costs. If said costs exceed \$1,000, please contact us and so advise.

We are also willing to travel to see said documents, as an alternative, if the costs of reproduction is prohibitive.

Finally, we also request copies of any and all letters forwarded to the State Department requesting the same or similar materials.

Should NRC have any questions concerning this, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



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