

FOIA/PA REQUEST

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FOIA REQUEST

- Fee benefit requested**
- Fee waiver requested**
- Expedited review requested**

Dear FOI Officer:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of records relating to the planning and possible construction of a Grand Gulf 3 nuclear power plant by Entergy Corp.

As a representative of the news media I am only required to pay for the direct cost of duplication after the first 100 pages. Through this request, I am gathering information on the Grand Gulf 3 nuclear power plant that is of current interest to the public because of its possible future impact on electric rates and electricity supply in the Arkansas-Mississippi-Louisiana region. This information is being sought on behalf of *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* for dissemination to the general public.

Please waive any applicable fees. Release of the information is in the public interest because it will contribute significantly to public understanding of government operations and activities.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act. I will also expect you to release all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

As I am making this request as a journalist and this information is of timely value, I would appreciate your communicating with me by telephone, rather than by mail, if you have questions regarding this request.

Please provide expedited review of this request which concerns a matter of urgency. As a

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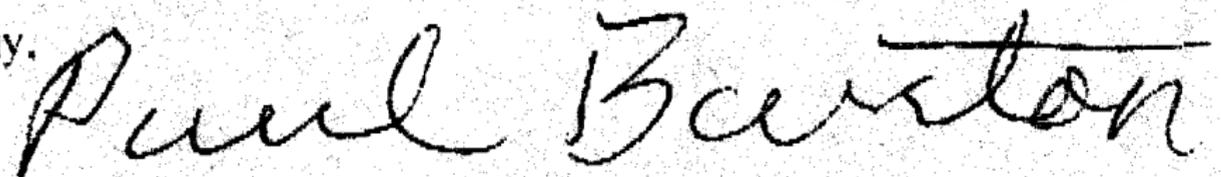
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journalist, I am primarily engaged in disseminating information. The public has an urgent need for information about the Grand Gulf nuclear 3 power plant because of its possible impact on electric rates. I certify that my statements concerning the need for expedited review are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I look forward to your reply within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Chastain Barton". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Paul Chastain Barton