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**RESPONSE TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) / PRIVACY ACT (PA) REQUEST**

RESPONSE TYPE  FINAL  PARTIAL

REQUESTER

Phillip Musegaas

DATE

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**PART I. -- INFORMATION RELEASED**

- No additional agency records subject to the request have been located.
- Requested records are available through another public distribution program. See Comments section.
- APPENDICES **C** Agency records subject to the request that are identified in the listed appendices are already available for public inspection and copying at the NRC Public Document Room.
- APPENDICES Agency records subject to the request that are identified in the listed appendices are being made available for public inspection and copying at the NRC Public Document Room.
- Enclosed is information on how you may obtain access to and the charges for copying records located at the NRC Public Document Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-2738.
- APPENDICES Agency records subject to the request are enclosed.
- Records subject to the request that contain information originated by or of interest to another Federal agency have been referred to that agency (see comments section) for a disclosure determination and direct response to you.
- We are continuing to process your request.
- See Comments.

**PART I.A -- FEES**

AMOUNT \*  
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- You will be billed by NRC for the amount listed.  None. Minimum fee threshold not met.
- You will receive a refund for the amount listed.  Fees waived.

\* See comments for details

**PART I.B -- INFORMATION NOT LOCATED OR WITHHELD FROM DISCLOSURE**

- No agency records subject to the request have been located.
- Certain information in the requested records is being withheld from disclosure pursuant to the exemptions described in and for the reasons stated in Part II.
- This determination may be appealed within 30 days by writing to the FOIA/PA Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Clearly state on the envelope and in the letter that it is a "FOIA/PA Appeal."

**PART I.C COMMENTS (Use attached Comments continuation page if required)**

SIGNATURE - FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT AND PRIVACY ACT OFFICER

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**PART II.A -- APPLICABLE EXEMPTIONS**

APPENDICES

Records subject to the request that are described in the enclosed Appendices are being withheld in their entirety or in part under the Exemption No.(s) of the PA and/or the FOIA as indicated below (5 U.S.C. 552a and/or 5 U.S.C. 552(b)).

- Exemption 1: The withheld information is properly classified pursuant to Executive Order 12958.
- Exemption 2: The withheld information relates solely to the internal personnel rules and procedures of NRC.
- Exemption 3: The withheld information is specifically exempted from public disclosure by statute indicated.
  - Sections 141-145 of the Atomic Energy Act, which prohibits the disclosure of Restricted Data or Formerly Restricted Data (42 U.S.C. 2161-2165).
  - Section 147 of the Atomic Energy Act, which prohibits the disclosure of Unclassified Safeguards Information (42 U.S.C. 2167).
  - 41 U.S.C., Section 253b, subsection (m)(1), prohibits the disclosure of contractor proposals in the possession and control of an executive agency to any person under section 552 of Title 5, U.S.C. (the FOIA), except when incorporated into the contract between the agency and the submitter of the proposal.
- Exemption 4: The withheld information is a trade secret or commercial or financial information that is being withheld for the reason(s) indicated.
  - The information is considered to be confidential business (proprietary) information.
  - The information is considered to be proprietary because it concerns a licensee's or applicant's physical protection or material control and accounting program for special nuclear material pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1).
  - The information was submitted by a foreign source and received in confidence pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(d)(2).
- Exemption 5: The withheld information consists of interagency or intraagency records that are not available through discovery during litigation. Applicable privileges:
  - Deliberative process: Disclosure of predecisional information would tend to inhibit the open and frank exchange of ideas essential to the deliberative process. Where records are withheld in their entirety, the facts are inextricably intertwined with the predecisional information. There also are no reasonably segregable factual portions because the release of the facts would permit an indirect inquiry into the predecisional process of the agency.
  - Attorney work-product privilege. (Documents prepared by an attorney in contemplation of litigation)
  - Attorney-client privilege. (Confidential communications between an attorney and his/her client)
- Exemption 6: The withheld information is exempted from public disclosure because its disclosure would result in a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
- Exemption 7: The withheld information consists of records compiled for law enforcement purposes and is being withheld for the reason(s) indicated.
  - (A) Disclosure could reasonably be expected to interfere with an enforcement proceeding (e.g., it would reveal the scope, direction, and focus of enforcement efforts, and thus could possibly allow recipients to take action to shield potential wrongdoing or a violation of NRC requirements from investigators).
  - (C) Disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
  - (D) The information consists of names of individuals and other information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to reveal identities of confidential sources.
  - (E) Disclosure would reveal techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or guidelines that could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law.
  - (F) Disclosure could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of an individual.
- OTHER (Specify)

**PART II.B -- DENYING OFFICIALS**

Pursuant to 10 CFR 9.25(g), 9.25(h), and/or 9.65(b) of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission regulations, it has been determined that the information withheld is exempt from production or disclosure, and that its production or disclosure is contrary to the public interest. The person responsible for the denial are those officials identified below as denying officials and the FOIA/PA Officer for any denials that may be appealed to the Executive Director for Operations (EDO).

DENYING OFFICIAL	TITLE/OFFICE	RECORDS DENIED	APPELLATE OFFICIAL		
			EDO	SECY	IG
James E. Dyer	Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation	Appendix B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Appeal must be made in writing within 30 days of receipt of this response. Appeals should be mailed to the FOIA/Privacy Act Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, for action by the appropriate appellate official(s). You should clearly state on the envelope and letter that it is a "FOIA/PA Appeal."

**APPENDIX B  
RECORDS BEING WITHHELD IN THEIR ENTIRETY**

<u>NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION/(PAGE COUNT)/EXEMPTIONS</u>
1.	Undated	Talking Points for Chairman's Calls to Congressional Members Regarding Indian Point Assessment (1 page), Exemption 5
2.	Undated	Region II Comments on Independent Safety Assessment. With handwritten notes. (2 pages), Exemption 5
3.	10/12/06	Questions for Chairman Klein for the VTC on October 13 (2 pages), Exemption 5
4.	10/24/06	Region I Comments on the Charter to Assess the Implementation of the Reactor Oversight Process, with handwritten notes. (2 pages), Exemption 5
5.	10/24/06	E-mail A. Vogel, RIV/DRP, to S. Richards, NRR, Re: ACTION REQUESTED BY 10/24 cob: Regional Assessment Charter for Comment, with handwritten notes. (2 pages), Exemption 5
6.	10/24/06	E-mail C. Abbott, NRR, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re: Independent Team to Assess..., with handwritten notes. (1 page), Exemption 5
7.	10/25/06	E-mail S. West, RIII/DRP, to J. Andersen and S. Richards, NRR, Re: RIII comments on regional assessment charter (1 page), Exemption 5
8.	11/2/06	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to DRS/DRP, Re: Chairman Tasking for Independent Assessment of Indian Point- Status (2 pages), Exemption 5
9.	11/6/06	E-mail J. Dyer, NRR, to E. Collins, NRR, Re: Fwd Fyi Chairman Tasking for Independent Assessment of Indian Point- status (2 pages), Exemption 5
10.	11/6/06	E-mail S. Richards, NRR, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re: Fwd Independent Assessment (1 page), Exemption 5
11.	11/6/06	E-mail S. Richards, NRR, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re: Fwd Independent Assessment (1 page), Exemption 5
12.	11/7/06	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to W. Kane, NRR, Re: Chairman Tasking- Independent Assessment Charter- Draft (7 pages), Exemption 5

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13.	11/7/06	E-mail G. Grant, RIII, to E. Collins, NRR, Re: Fwd Fyi Chairman Tasking for Independent Assessment of Indian Point - Status (1 page), Exemption 5
14.	11/7/06	E-mail V. McCree, RII, to E. Collins, NRR, Re: Fwd Fyi Chairman Tasking for Independent Assessment of Indian Point - status (1 page), Exemption 5
15.	11/7/06	E-mail J. Dyer, NRR, to J. Andersen and S. Richards, NRR, Re: Fwd Fyi Chairman Tasking for Independent Assessment of Indian Point - Status (1 page), Exemption 5
16.	11/7/06	E-mail J. Dyer, NRR, to J. Andersen and S. Richards, NRR, Re: Fwd Fyi Chairman Tasking for Independent Assessment of Indian Point - Status (1 page), Exemption 5
17.	11/7/06	E-mail J. Dyer, NRR, to J. Andersen and S. Richards, NRR, Re: Fwd Fyi Chairman Tasking for Independent Assessment of Indian Point - Status (1 page), Exemption 5
18.	11/7/06	E-mail M. Dapas, RI, to J. Dyer, NRR, Re Fwd Fyi Chairman Tasking for Independent Assessment of Indian Point - Status (2 pages), Exemption 5
19.	11/8/06	E-mail S. Richards, NRR, to J. Dyer, NRR Re Fwd Fyi Chairman Tasking for Independent Assessment of Indian Point - Status (2 pages), Exemption 5
20.	11/8/06	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to J. Dyer, NRR, Re: Chairman Tasking- Independent Assessment (7 pages) Exemption 5
21.	11/8/06	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR to E. Collins, NRR, Re: Chairman Tasking- Independent Assessment of ROP (7 pages) Exemption 5
22.	11/9/06	E-mail J. Dyer, NRR, to E. Collins, S. Richards, and J. Andersen, NRR, Re: Fwd Chairman Tasking- Independent Assessment (1 page) Exemption 5
23.	11/9/06	E-mail E. Collins, NRR, to J. Dyer, NRR, Re: Fwd Chairman Tasking- Independent Assessment, (1 page) Exemption 5
24.	11/9/06	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to E. Collins, NRR, Re: Chairman Tasking - Charter Status (1 page) Exemption 5

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25.	11/13/06	E-mail E. Collins, NRR, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re: info on chairman's tasking (1 page) Exemption 5
26.	11/13/06	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to R. Correia, NRR, Re: Independent ROP Assessment (1 page) Exemption 5
27.	11/13/06	E-mail R. Correia, NSIR, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re: Independent ROP Assessment (1 page) Exemption 5
28.	11/27/06	E-mail R. Costello, NSIR, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re: Independent assessment of ROP (1 page) Exemption 5
29.	11/28/06	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to B. Boger, NRR, Re: Heads Up-Independent Assessment Charter (1 page) Exemption 5
30.	11/28/06	E-mail S. Richards, NRR, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re: Heads Up-Independent Assessment Charter (1 page) Exemption 5
31.	11/28/06	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to S. Richards, NRR, Re: Heads Up-Independent Assessment Charter (1 page) Exemption 5
32.	12/5/06	E-mail S. Richards, NRR, to E. Collins, NRR, Re: ISA Comparison Letter (23 pages) Exemption 5
33.	12/13/06	E-mail S. Richards, NRR, to U. Shoop, EDO, Re: Response Letter to Congressional Call for Indian Point ISA (1 page) Exemption 5
34.	12/13/06	E-mail U. Shoop, EDO, to S. Richards, NRR, Re: Response Letter to Congressional Call for Indian Point ISA (1 page) Exemption 5
35.	12/14/06	E-mail S. Richards, NRR, to U. Shoop, EDO, Re: Revised ISA Procedure (3 pages) Exemption 5
36.	12/28/06	E-mail R. Gramm, NRR, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re: On another note- independent review of ROP (1 page) Exemption 5
37.	12/28/06	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to R. Gramm, NRR, Re: On another note- independent review of ROP (1 page) Exemption 5
38.	12/29/06	E-mail R. Gramm, NRR, to I. Schoenfeld, OE, Re: ROP Independent Assessment (1 page) Exemption 5

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39.	1/9/07	E-mail J. Boska, NRR, to E. Hayden, OPA, Re: Fwd Re IP ROP (2 pages) Exemption 5
40.	1/12/07	E-mail J. Lubinski, NRR, to E. Collins, NRR, Re Fwd For Your Review: SENSITIVE DRAFT SRM- COMSECY-06-0068 (Reactor Oversight) 9 pages, Exemption 5
41.	1/12/07	E-mail A. Blough, RI/DRS, to J. Andersen, E. Collins, and T. Reis, NRR, Re: Fwd For Your Review: SENSITIVE DRAFT SRM- COMSECY-06-0068 (Reactor Oversight) 1 page, Exemption 5
42.	1/16/07	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to M. Tonacci, NRR, Re: Fwd: SENSITIVE DRAFT SRM- COMSECY-06-0068 (Reactor Oversight) 7 pages, Exemption 5
43.	1/16/07	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to E. Collins, NRR, Re: Fwd For Your Review: SENSITIVE DRAFT SRM- COMSECY-06-0068 (Reactor Oversight) 1 page, Exemption 5
44.	1/16/07	E-mail S. Richards, NRR, to E. Collins and J. Andersen, NRR, Re: Fwd For Your Review: SENSITIVE DRAFT SRM- COMSECY-06-0068 (Reactor Oversight) 1 page, Exemption 5
45.	1/16/07	E-mail R. Gramm, NRR, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re: ROP Independent Assessment (1 page), Exemption 5
46.	1/16/07	E-mail R. Barkley, RI, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re Communications Plans for the SRM on the Cancelled Independent Assessment of the ROP? (1 page) Exemption 5
47.	1/16/07	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to R. Barkley, RI, Re Communications Plans for the SRM on the Cancelled Independent Assessment of the ROP? (1 page) Exemption 5

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48.	1/16/07	E-mail U. Shoop, EDO, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re Communications Plans for the SRM on the Cancelled Independent Assessment of the ROP? (1 page) Exemption 5
49.	1/16/07	E-mail R. Barkley, RI, to J. Andersen, NRR, Re Communications Plans for the SRM on the Cancelled Independent Assessment of the ROP? (1 page) Exemption 5
50.	1/16/07	E-mail T. Liu, NRR, to E. Collins, J. Andersen, And S. Richards, NRR, Re: Fwd ACTION: SENSITIVE DRAFT SRM - COMSECY-06-0068 (Reactor Oversight) (7 pages), Exemption 5
51.	1/17/07	E-mail J. Andersen, NRR, to K. Weaver and T. Liu, NRR, Re: Fwd ACTION: SENSITIVE DRAFT SRM - COMSECY-06-0068 (Reactor Oversight) (2 pages), Exemption 5
52.	1/17/07	E-mail J. Dyer, NRR, to E. Collins, NRR, Re: Fwd ACTION: SENSITIVE DRAFT SRM - COMSECY-06-0068 (Reactor Oversight) (2 pages), Exemption 5

**APPENDIX C  
RECORD ALREADY AVAILABLE IN THE PDR**

<u>NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACCESSION NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION/(PAGE COUNT)</u>
1.	10/11/06	ML062840464	Memorandum from Chairman Dale Klein to Luis Reyes, subject: Independent Team to Assess the Implementation of the Reactor Oversight Process at Indian Point. 1 page