

**From:** Angela McIntosh on behalf of MSEA Resource  
**Sent:** Friday, March 13, 2009 10:42 AM  
**To:** 'Landsman, Lisa'  
**Subject:** GRANTED - Smithsonian Response to Demand for Information (Tritium Exit Signs)

Dear Ms. Landsman: this is to inform you that your request for an extension to respond to NRC's Demand for Information (DFI) regarding the tritium exit sign inventory has been granted. The new due date for response is March 30, 2009, as you requested.

While the new due date for your response to the inventory is March 30, in accordance with one of the requirements in Item A of the DFI, **NRC is still requiring that you respond by the due date of March 17, 2009,** with the name of the individual you have appointed for ensuring day to day compliance with the requirements to properly manage tritium exit signs.

Furthermore, please note that this extension does not relieve you of the regulatory requirement to report any lost, stolen, or missing signs you may discover as a result of your inventory efforts. Please refer to the DFI cover letter for instructions on reporting lost, stolen or missing signs.

You may contact Angela McIntosh at [MSEA@nrc.gov](mailto:MSEA@nrc.gov) or (301) 415-3340 if you have any questions.

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**From:** Landsman, Lisa [mailto:LandsmanL@si.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 12, 2009 4:13 PM  
**To:** MSEA Resource  
**Subject:** RE: Response to Demand for Information (Tritium Exit Signs)

Ms. McIntosh:

Thank you very much for your summary. However, there was some confusion on my part – I was so surprised to hear that we had received the Demand in January. In fact, I do wish to seek an extension. Even though we were apparently given notice by the NRC earlier than the 26<sup>th</sup> of February, I have only been working on the Response since the Office of General Counsel received the Demand. Given that I am still trying to find out information from an Institution that has dozens of facilities nationwide, and many different persons in charge of facilities management, I think that both the NRC and the Smithsonian would benefit from an extension of time. Accordingly, I would like to request an extension so that I can be sure that our response is as accurate as possible.

I am not at my office, so if you need to reach me, please feel free to call my cell at 301-467-0727. I will be in tomorrow, Friday.

Thank you very much for your assistance,  
Lisa

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**From:** Angela McIntosh [mailto:Angela.McIntosh@nrc.gov] **On Behalf Of** MSEA Resource  
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**To:** Landsman, Lisa; Glenda Villamar  
**Subject:** RE: Response to Demand for Information (Tritium Exit Signs)

Ms. Landsman: to summarize our telephone conversation about 1 hour ago: in response to your inquiry about the below extension request, I explained that for the requests NRC has granted, the basic reason had to do with licensees' difficulty with inventorying their signs, due to their being spread out over large areas. Smithsonian's reason for an extension request is that you did not receive the Demand For Information until February 26 - technically not accurate, because while it may have taken that long to get to you specifically, significantly prior to February 26, the DFI had been delivered to the Smithsonian.

Upon my informing you that NRC management would have to decide if Smithsonian's reason warranted an extension, you stated that Smithsonian would send in what you have completed by the original March 17, 2009 deadline.

If my understanding of the above is erroneous, please let me know.

Regards,

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**From:** Landsman, Lisa [mailto:LandsmanL@si.edu]  
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**To:** Glenda Villamar  
**Cc:** MSEA Resource  
**Subject:** Response to Demand for Information (Tritium Exit Signs)

Ms. Villamar/Glenda,

Hello. Marsha Shaines passed on to me the Demand for Information that you e-mailed to her at the end of February. I note that the response is due 60 days from the Demand, which is dated January 16<sup>th</sup>. Because we did not receive the Demand until your e-mail on February 26<sup>th</sup>, I was wondering if you still expect our response by next Monday (60 days fro 1/16), or whether we may have at least 30 days from receipt, which would be approximately March 30th?

We do have a draft response ready, but I am still trying to figure out a few elements. Please let me know how best to proceed.

Many thanks,  
Lisa

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