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Desc: (1) Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences, Fiscal Year 1998; and (2) Commission Voting Records, and related documents, regarding Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences for Fiscal Years 1996-2008 or the Accession Numbers for each Voting Record and related documents.

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Waiver_Purpose: The documents requested will be used for an analysis of NRC transparency to the public from 1996 to the present. Only the 1998 AO Report is unavailable on ADAMS, but

the Voting Records and the memo of staff recommendations for Abnormal Occurrence reporting and Events of Interest are generally unavailable. Commission Voting Records are requested to help explain NRC's failure to report to Congress the 1996 incinerator fire at Nuclear Fuel Services in Erwin, TN or to explain to Congress the significance of the Tokai Mura accident in 1999. These omissions from the AO Reports stand in stark contrast to the inclusion of the Westinghouse "incinerator event" in 2004 and of the improper firing of DU munitions in 1999 causing a worker death in Vieques.

Waiver_ExtentToExtractAnalyze: The FY 1998 AO Report will be analyzed against media and other reports of significant nuclear accidents. The Voting Records might shed light on whether it was the Commission's or Staff's decision to withhold from Congress information on domestic and international nuclear fuel facility accidents.

Waiver_SpecificActivityQuals: The Sierra Club serves the public interest in transparent, accountable government, in part, by developing information, analyzing it, and by influencing public policy when needed to protect clean air and water. My Masters Degree in Economics and 25 years of experience in industry analysis qualify me to interpret the requested documents.

Waiver_ImpactPublicUnderstanding: When this project was first embarked upon, the Commission had just divulved to Congress that it had been withholding all information on NFS & BWXT for 3 years through an "Official Use Only" policy. By obtaining the requested documents, it might be able to be determined whether or not information on NFS and BWXT -- or, perhaps, other DOE & DOD contractors -- had been withheld in prior years as well.

Waiver_NatureOfPublic: The Sierra Club is a public interest environmental organization with national scope. The American public concerned about government secrecy, nuclear facilities' impact on their health, as well as chemical and radiation exposure from corporate fuel facilities would describe the "nature" of the public to whose understanding a contribution will be made.

Waiver_MeansOfDissemination: Information dissemination to the general public is intended to be through means of the Internet, Sierra Club online and print publications, &/or newspapers and broadcast media.

Waiver_FreeToPublicOrFee: Public access to information is always provided free of charge by the Sierra Club.

Waiver_PrivateCommericalInterest: Neither the Sierra Club nor the individual requesting the information has commercial or private interest in the agency records sought.
