

## FOIA Resource

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### FOIA REQUEST

**Fee benefit requested**

**Fee waiver requested**

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of the "Tritium database report," the "Groundwater Database" and any related databases that contain information about groundwater contamination and tritium and other radiation on or off the nation's nuclear power plant sites.

I would like to receive the information in electronic format (i.e. Excel, Access, .dbf, CSV, or txt formats) or via CD-ROM.

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 tritium and other contamination in groundwater on or off the nation's nuclear power plant sites that is of current interest to the public because many plants have leaked tritium or other contaminants. This information is being sought on behalf of the *Asbury Park Press* 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.

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

**FOI/PA REQUEST**  
**Case No.:** 2010-0309  
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**Specialist:** DENNIS  
**Related Case:** \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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