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Ms. Donna Sealing Freedom of Information Act Officer Nuclear Regulatory Commission Mailstop: T-5 F09 Washington, D.C. 20005-0001

Dear Ms. Sealing,

USA TODAY respectfully requests, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, copies of records held by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission:

RECORDS SOUGHT: Any Nuclear Regulatory Commission correspondence, at any time and on any subject, with Texas Gov. Rick Perry or the Texas Office of the Governor. I expect that correspondence at this level would be dealt with at the top departmental level, but I am requesting records held by all agency components. Please include all correspondence since Perry became governor on December 21, 2000.

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Regards,

Jackie Kucinich staff writer