

**FOIA/PA REQUEST**

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**FOIA REQUEST**  
**Fee benefit requested**  
**Expedited processing requested**

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of any all communications related to the Japan Fukushima nuclear accident, including conversations in the NRC operations center from March 11, 2011 to April 10, 2011.

I would like to receive the information in electronic format.

I agree to pay reasonable duplication fees for the processing of this request in an amount not to exceed \$100. However, please notify me prior to your incurring any expenses in excess of that amount.

Through this request, I am gathering information on the NRC's actions during and in the wake of the Japan nuclear crisis that is of current interest to the public because it has implications for nuclear policy and nuclear safety in the U.S. This information is being sought on behalf of *The Wall Street Journal* for dissemination to the general public. I certify that I am a full-time employee for *The Wall Street Journal*, the largest-circulation newspaper in the U.S. with more 2 million subscribers.

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.

Please provide expedited processing of this request which concerns a matter of urgency. As a journalist, I am primarily engaged in disseminating information. The public has an urgent need for information about the role of the U.S. government in response to the Japan nuclear crisis because the public has an urgent need to understand whether and how what is happening in Japan has implications for U.S. nuclear policy, nuclear safety and the nuclear reactors in this country. I certify that my statements concerning the need for expedited processing are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Deborah Solomon