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Desc: I request that a copy of the following documents [or documents containing the following information] be provided to me:

Any documents generated from the three member special investigation team the NRC assembled to "review a leak from a control rod drive mechanism inside the containment building" at the Palisades Power Plant in Covert, Michigan. The NRC announced the special investigation on August 15, 2012. (ML12228A480) I understand the team observed plant workers as they made repairs. And I am told the team made suggestions about how Entergy determined how widespread the cracking in the control rod drive mechanisms was. I realize this investigation is ongoing. But I am seeking any documents the team has generated in their investigation thus far.

FeeCategory: NewsMedia

MediaType: Michigan Radio

MediaType_TVRadio: on

FeeCategory_Description:

Expedite_ImminentThreatText:

Expedite_UrgencyToInform: on

Expedite_UrgencyToInformText: The repairs of the control rod drive mechanism is complete and Palisades is returning to service. I am writing about this today and would like to have this information as quickly as possible to provide context to the story.

Waiver_Purpose: I am looking for this information to provide a better context for stories I write about these and other recent repairs at Palisades.

Waiver_ExtentToExtractAnalyze: I have been reading through hundreds of pages on the ADAMS database over the past months. I imagine I will thoroughly comb through every page you send me.

Waiver_SpecificActivityQuals: I am the only reporter for this side of Michigan with our organization. Because of Palisades safety rating downgrade I have been writing about the plant a lot more. I have written several in depth stories about the plant, including one that aired nationally. I will use this information to further my understanding of the plant, the NRC's response and these specific repairs. And I will pass that information to my listeners - about 500,000 average per week throughout Michigan.

Waiver_ImpactPublicUnderstanding: Because there is an ongoing investigation there are some details the NRC region spokeswoman is unable to discuss. I am trying to find a way to get that information sooner as opposed to waiting for the investigation to conclude. Though I am interested in what the special team concludes, I think it would be beneficial for the public to have access to the information in documents they've generated so far.

Waiver_NatureOfPublic: Michigan Radio has an average 500,000 listeners a week. We are a state-wide public radio station with signals that cover Detroit, Ann Arbor, Flint and Grand Rapids.

Waiver_MeansOfDissemination: Information I use from the documents are for broadcast on air and on our website, michiganradio.org.

Waiver_FreeToPublicOrFee: We are a non-profit public radio station affiliated with NPR. All of our stories are free and more than two-thirds of our budget comes from voluntary donations.

Waiver_PrivateCommericalInterest: None.
