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Desc: I am seeking access to records under the Freedom of Information Act.

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FOIA/PA REQUEST
Case No.: 2013-0088
Date Rec'd: 1/22/13
Specialist: Stewart
Related Case: _____

Description of records requested:

All information, including email communication, briefings, and power-point documents conveyed between Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff who were in Japan tasked to work the Fukushima nuclear crisis and U.S. Naval Reactors staff and administrators from March 11, 2011 to April 30, 2011.

Specifically, email correspondence, briefings and power-point documents that were shared between NRC staff Charles (Chuck) Casto and Kirkland H. Donald, former Director, Naval Nuclear Propulsion and Deputy Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration's Naval Reactors and Troy J. Mueller, Director of Nuclear Technology Division for Naval Reactors, Office of the Under Secretary for Nuclear Security of the U.S. Navy.

More specifically, email correspondence, briefings and power-point documents conveyed between NRC staff Chuck Casto and Troy J. Mueller of the U.S. Navy office of Naval Reactors, communications between NRC staff Chuck Casto and Kirkland H. Donald, Director, Naval Reactors, and communication between all three parties (Casto, Mueller and Admiral Donald).

(note that I am not requesting phone calls that have been transcribed in this time frame, as this information has already been made available via the FOIA. However, I do request such information between the aforementioned parties that has not been previously released)

FeeCategory: Educational

MediaType:

FeeCategory_Description:

Expedite_ImminentThreatText:

Expedite_UrgencyToInformText:

Waiver_Purpose: The information requested will be used for educational purposes: to be used in university seminars addressing the 3/11 crisis in Japan, and for research to be published in academic journals, or a book.

Waiver_ExtentToExtractAnalyze: Information obtained via FOIA will be carefully scrutinized, serving as a basis of comparison (and independent verification) of coverage of the nuclear crisis what is in the public domain. The records requested will help me evaluate various claims made about the nature of the crisis, and allow me to

provide accurate characterizations. This material will be thoroughly and carefully studied, following academic research methodology protocols.

Waiver_SpecificActivityQuals: These records will be used to help assess information I have obtained in interviews and archival research as I have studied the Fukushima nuclear crisis. I am a university professor and administrator at Temple University's Japan campus in Tokyo, where I am also founding director (now Associate Director) of the university's Institute of Contemporary Asian Studies. As a professor and institute director, I intend to publish work on the nuclear crisis in Japan, and through my network of academic colleagues, and experience teaching for over 20 years in Japan, will be able to publish in academic journals and publications.

Waiver_ImpactPublicUnderstanding: Much of the public understanding of the Fukushima Nuclear Crisis is based on media coverage, whose quality and accuracy varies dramatically. My research will be used to publish work that more accurately portrays the nuance and complexity of what actually transpired among principle decision makers who worked the nuclear crisis. I hope to original and meaningful research that will provide the most accurate characterization of events possible.

Waiver_NatureOfPublic: Information that is used in the classroom will reach hundreds of students (as I teach courses in this area), and published work will reach the readers of particular academic journals, and be available in public libraries. My eventual goal is to publish a book, that may reach a broader and more diverse audience, but its primary target is for university classroom use by Asian Studies scholars.

Waiver_MeansOfDissemination: Published work in academic journals and a book, and lectures in university classrooms.

Waiver_FreeToPublicOrFee: Information in journals may be free of charge, as would books that are stocked in libraries. If a book is published based on this research, the book will be sold in bookstores.

Waiver_PrivateCommericalInterest: There is no commercial interest associated with my request: Temple University is a non-profit educational institution. My private interest is academic in nature.
