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Desc: All emails, phone call summaries, meeting summaries, memos, letters, reports, and fact sheets dated one or after January 1, 2012, about drones (including unmanned aerial vehicles).

FeeCategory: Educational

MediaType:

MediaType_Other_Description:

Expedite_ImminentThreatText:

Expedite_UrgencyToInformText:

Waiver_Purpose: Last year, drones flying near several nuclear power plants in France prompted considerable attention. UCS seeks the requested records to assess the potential hazard to and the associated protections against drones and UAVs at U.S. nuclear power plants.

Waiver_ExtentToExtractAnalyze: UCS has two staffers (Lochbaum and Lyman) who have participated in NRC/industry public meetings regarding nuclear power plant security since before 9/11/2001. UCS will review the requested records in context of our awareness of the NRC's design basis threat, aircraft impact assessment requirement for new reactors, and associated regulations to better understand drones and whatever hazard they represent.

Waiver_SpecificActivityQuals: As indicated by the response to question above, UCS has two staffers with extensive awareness of NRC's security regulations and associated physical protection measures at nuclear power plants. One (Lyman) was an expert witness in security-related licensing proceedings regarding MOX. UCS's perspectives on security have been solicited by the US Congress, media, state officials, and local citizens. UCS intends to apply our expertise to the drone issue and share our conclusions with a wide, general audience.

Waiver_ImpactPublicUnderstanding: The reality of drones over nuclear plants in France prompted many in the U.S. to speculate over the hazard they pose to U.S. reactors. UCS seeks to review the requested records to separate the actual hazard from the hype and Hollywood that "drones over nukes" can initiate.

Waiver_NatureOfPublic: Millions of Americans live within 10 miles of U.S. nuclear power plants. Stories about drones over nuclear plants in France garnered considered attention here in the U.S., suggesting that a sizeable audience wants to hear about the issue.

Waiver_MeansOfDissemination: UCS has a website (www.ucsus.org) and blog (allthingsnuclear.org) where we post reports, fact sheets, testimonies, commentaries, backgrounders, etc. It is likely that UCS will use one or more of these communications tools to post the conclusions and recommendations from our review of the requested records.

Waiver_FreeToPublicOrFee: Materials posted to our website and blog are available for viewing and downloading free of charge.

Waiver_PrivateCommericalInterest: None.
