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Desc: Any and all records concerning the Atomic Energy Commission's licensing of auctioned nuclear waste and residues to Contemporary Metals Corporation, Continental Mining and Milling, Commercial Discount Corporation, and Cotter Corporation from the storage site near the St. Louis airport, known as the St. Louis Airport Site or "SLAPS."

In particular, any documents with containing agency discussions with regard to the decision to license the nuclear waste and residues as "Source Material" under the Atomic Energy Act.

FeeCategory: NewsMedia

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Expedite\_ImminentThreatText:

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Expedite\_UrgencyToInformText: There is an ongoing, imminent health threat associated with the presence of uncontained, radiotoxic Manhattan Project nuclear waste at the West Lake Landfill in St. Louis County with a population of nearly 1 million. Currently, an encroaching underground landfill fire is moving toward the radioactive material according to landfill experts brought by Missouri Attorney General Chris Koster. The history of the licensing of this mishandled material illegally dumped at the West Lake Landfill can help resolve some of the cross-jurisdictional issues the have put the site in a state of impasse for more than 42 years.

Waiver\_Purpose: I have written several articles in Examiner.com and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch concerning developments related to the radiological contamination of the St. Louis region due to U.S. weapons programs in World War II and the early Cold War years.

Waiver\_ExtentToExtractAnalyze: I will thoroughly examine these records to help me better understand the pertinent agency's decision making process and cross reference these citations with the legislative authority under which the nuclear waste and residues were auctioned and licensed.

Waiver\_SpecificActivityQuals: The impasse at the West Lake Landfill has been ongoing for 42 years. Until recently, many local citizens were wholly unaware of the critical role St. Louis played during the Manhattan Project and early Cold War years processing a majority percentage of the uranium for the U.S. For six years, I have authored a column on Examiner.com which has good distribution and have written for other main stream venues, such as the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. I live within 6 miles of the site in question and have been active locally helping educate people as to how and why this nuclear material was illegally dumped at West Lake. The hope is that through examining primary source records and advancing an informed and broader awareness of this issue via the media, the movement to help get the site cleaned-up will be augmented.

Waiver\_ImpactPublicUnderstanding: There are explicit provisions within the Atomic Energy Act concerning protecting public health associated with distributed nuclear materials. Having a better understanding of the authority under which nuclear materials eventually made their way to the West Lake Landfill. To my knowledge, the legislative obligations to protect the public and national security with regard to distributed nuclear materials in the Atomic Energy Act has not been explored as related to our case at the West Lake Landfill until my Examiner articles.

Waiver\_NatureOfPublic: The radiological contamination at the West Lake Landfill and Coldwater Creek, in addition to the FUSRAP sites known as SLAPS and HISS, are located in St. Louis County with a population of nearly 1 million people.

Waiver\_MeansOfDissemination: Online through Examiner.com or other mainstream news venues.

Waiver\_FreeToPublicOrFee: Access will be free of charge.

Waiver\_PrivateCommericalInterest: Examiner.com does pay very low nominal fees to its contributors, in my case, in the order of tens of dollars compensation annually.

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