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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

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IN RESPONSE REFER TO:
FOIA/PA-2017-0129A
FOIA/PA-2017-0246

Julian Tarver
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Dear Mr. Tarver:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter dated February 14, 2017, in which you appealed the agency's January 19, 2017, response related to your December 23, 2017, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, FOIA/PA-2017-0246. In that FOIA request, you asked for a copy of the NRC Public Affairs statement in 2010, in response to a Seattle Times editorial, and a copy of the Seattle Times editorial. Our response to your FOIA/PA-2017-0246 was there were no records located. Your appeal challenges the adequacy of search.

Acting on your appeal, I have considered the matter and have determined that there are no records responsive to your request. The Office of Public Affairs was tasked to search for responsive records. The search conducted by this office did not locate any records responsive to your request, and was considered to be proper and complete. Also, the retention period of such records has expired. Therefore, I have denied your appeal.

This is the final agency decision. As set forth in the FOIA (5 U.S.C. 552(a)(4)(B)), you may seek judicial review of this decision in the district court of the United States in the district in which you reside or have your principal place of business. You may also seek judicial review in the district in which the agency's records are situated or in the District of Columbia.

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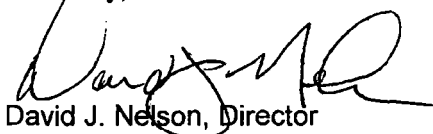
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Nelson", written over the printed name.

David J. Nelson, Director
Chief Information Officer
Office of the Chief Information Officer