



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

AUG 28 2018

**IN RESPONSE REFER TO:
NRC-2018-000614
Appealing: NRC-2018-000343**

Julian Tarver 885530
Washington State Penitentiary
IMU South H-2
1313 N 13th Avenue
Walla Walla, WA 99362

Dear Mr. Tarver,

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter dated June 12, 2018, in which you appealed the agency's decision related to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking information on how to protect nuclear power plants from EMP attack from hackers and others form of EMP attacks (NRC-2018-000343). Specifically, you appealed the adequacy of NRC's search.

Acting on your appeal, I have reviewed the records for this case and have determined that, as stated in our final response to NRC-2018-000343 to you, the NRC is unable to locate any records responsive to your request. Therefore, I am denying your appeal. To the extent your request is premised on the assumption that the NRC protects licensees from EMPs, please be aware that licensees are in fact primarily responsible for guarding against such risks.

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

As part of the 2007 FOIA amendments, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a nonexclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not

affect your right to pursue litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974.

You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS
College Park, MD 20740
Email: ogis@nara.gov
Telephone: 202-741-5770
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448
Fax: 202-741-5769

Sincerely,

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

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