



RESPONSE TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

NRC-2019-000232

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RESPONSE TYPE

INTERIM

FINAL

REQUESTER:

Ben Davis Jr.

DATE:

04/10/2019

DESCRIPTION OF REQUESTED RECORDS:

Communications between Pacific Gas & Electric Company [PG&E] and NRC about differences of opinion in the reports of the PG&E-appointed Senior Seismic Hazard Analysis Committee Peer Review Panel and the California Public Utility Commission-appointed Diablo Canyon Independent Peer Review Panel and any related NRC inter-agency communications.

PART I. -- INFORMATION RELEASED

- The NRC has made some, or all, of the requested records publicly available through one or more of the following means: (1) <https://www.nrc.gov>; (2) public ADAMS, <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>; (3) microfiche available in the NRC Public Document Room; or FOIA Online, <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>.
- Agency records subject to the request are enclosed.
- Records subject to the request that contain information originated by or of interest to another Federal agency have been referred to that agency (See Part I.D -- Comments) for a disclosure determination and direct response to you.
- We are continuing to process your request.
- See Part I.D -- Comments.

PART I.A -- FEES

AMOUNT
\$0.00

- You will be billed by NRC for the amount indicated.
- You will receive a refund for the amount indicated.
- Fees waived.
- Since the minimum fee threshold was not met, you will not be charged fees.
- Due to our delayed response, you will not be charged search and/or duplication fees that would otherwise be applicable to your request.

PART I.B -- INFORMATION NOT LOCATED OR WITHHELD FROM DISCLOSURE

- We did not locate any agency records responsive to your request. *Note:* Agencies may treat three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records as not subject to the FOIA ("exclusions"). See 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This is a standard notification given to all requesters; it should not be taken to mean that any excluded records do, or do not, exist.
- We have withheld certain information pursuant to the FOIA exemptions described, and for the reasons stated, in Part II.
- Because this is an interim response to your request, you may not appeal at this time. We will notify you of your right to appeal any of the responses we have issued in response to your request when we issue our final determination.
- You may appeal this final determination within 90 calendar days of the date of this response. If you submit an appeal by mail, address it to the FOIA Officer, at U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Mail Stop T-2 F43, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001. You may submit an appeal by e-mail to FOIA.resource@nrc.gov. You may fax an appeal to (301) 415-5130. Or you may submit an appeal through FOIA Online, <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Please be sure to include on your submission that it is a "FOIA Appeal."

PART I.C -- REFERENCES AND POINTS OF CONTACT

You have the right to seek assistance from the NRC's FOIA Public Liaison by submitting your inquiry at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/foia/contact-foia.html>, or by calling the FOIA Public Liaison at (301) 415-1276.

If we have denied your request, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from the NRC's Public Liaison or the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). To seek dispute resolution services from OGIS, you may e-mail OGIS at ogis@nara.gov, send a fax to (202) 741-5789, or send a letter to: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. For additional information about OGIS, please visit the OGIS website at <https://www.archives.gov/ogis>.



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PART I.D -- COMMENTS

Upon receipt of your request, we tasked staff in the Offices of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR), New Reactors (NRO), Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES), and Region IV to search for any responsive records. None were located. NRC staff has informed us that they have had no communications, oral or written, with PG&E about any differences of opinion between the reports produced by the PG&E-appointed SSHAC Peer Review Panel and the Diablo Canyon Independent Review Panel appointed by the California Public Utility Commission; nor has NRC staff engaged with any external agencies about this matter.

If you have not already done so, you may wish to refer to the ADAMS web packages for two prior FOIA requests that we processed in 2015 about the DPO filed with respect to Diablo Canyon. The first of the two requests was FOIA/PA-2014-0488 (ML15258A566) and the second was FOIA/PA-2015-0071 (ML15208A173). You may also wish to review the documentation published about the DPO, which may be found at ML14252A743.

Signature - Freedom of Information Act Officer or Designee

Stephanie A. Blaney

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