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Dear Dr. Ahearna:

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5USC552, I am requesting access to the following:

- 1. Summary of all medical radiation exposure (and/or absorbed radiation dose) data for occupationally exposed radiation workers that led the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to adopt "as low as reasonably achievable" as 0.1 the maximum permissable dose.
- 2. Any NRC or Advisory Committee summary position papers that led the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to adopt "as low as reasonably achievable" as 0.1 the maximum permissable dose.
- 3. Any specific compilations of radiation exposures (and/or absorbed radiation doses) with nuclear pharmacy occupationally exposed workers either in the conduct of normal professional duties or in over exposure reports.

I am requesting this information so that I might technically assess the validity of using 0.1 MPD for nuclear pharmacy personnel and secondly, to develop a paper analyzing the relative reduction in absorbed radiation dose to occupationally exposed personnel, e.g., nuclear medicine technicians by nuclear pharmacy persons.

As you know, the Act permits you to reduce or waive fees when the use of the information is considered as "primarily benefitting the public." I believe that this request fits that category and I therefore ask that you waive any fees.

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If all or any part of this request is denied, please site the specific exemptions which you think justify your refusal to release the information and inform me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

I would appreciate your handling this request as quickly as possible, and I look forward to hearing from you within 10 days as the law stipulates.

Sincerely,

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