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Privacy Department
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
ACT REQUEST

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Rec'd 11-12-82

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552, as amended, and 10 CFR Part 9, the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts requests the following documents concerning the release of radiation from the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station in Plymouth, Massachusetts. As used herein, the term "documents" refers to the original and copy (but not both if identical in every respect) of any printed, written, recorded, transcribed, punched, taped, filmed, photographed or graphic matter in the possession of or subject to the control of the NRC or any Commissioner, employee, agent or attorney thereof, whether sent or received or neither, whether a draft or otherwise, however produced or reproduced, and both sides thereof, including but not limited to, any memorandum, correspondence, letter, affidavit, court paper, transcript, diary, report, study, telegram, table, telex message, record, chart, paper, work paper, graph, index, book, notebook, pamphlet, periodical, tape, data sheet, data processing card, note, notation, minute desk calendar, appointment book, sound recording, computer print-out or microfilm.

DOCUMENTS REQUESTED

1. All documents which relate in any way to the routine, planned, or accidental release of radiation from the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station since startup, including all documents containing information as to the amount or type of radionuclides released on particular occasions, or dates of release.

2. All documents which describe the manner in which Boston Edison Company or government officials have monitored radiation releases from Pilgrim Station since its startup, including all documents describing the number, type and/or location of radiation monitoring equipment used by BECo or by any such officials.

3. All documents which describe the methodology or results of environmental sampling or analysis performed by BECo or by federal officials since the startup of Pilgrim I to assess the effects on the environment of radiation releases from the plant.

4. All documents relating in any way to the release of spent resins from Pilgrim Station which was discovered by BECo on or about June 11, 1982, including all documents which discuss the date or approximate date of the release, the cause[s] of the release or of BECo's failure to discover the release until June 11, 1982, the type and amount of radionuclides released, and all steps which have been or will be taken to prevent further releases of spent resins from the Pilgrim Plant.

In our opinion, it is appropriate in this case for the NCR to waive copying charges, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §552(a) (4) (A) and 10 CFR §9.14a "because furnishing the information can be considered as primarily benefiting the general public" and this office is a state agency to whom furnishing the records without charge is an "appropriate courtesy."

We understand that, under the Freedom of Information Act, you must respond to this request within ten (10) working days and that your failure to respond within that period of time is considered to be a denial of the request. Thank you for your prompt consideration.

Very truly yours,



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