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Attachments: [NRC 509 Statement of Estimated Fees](#) [NRC-2022-000064-65](#) [NRC-2022-000068-69.pdf](#)

Greetings:

We have now received the cost estimate for the search time and duplication costs associated with the processing of your four (4) January 19th 2022 and January 20th 2022 FOIA requests, NRC-2022-000064, 2022-000065, 2022-000068 and 2022-000069. As we explained in our acknowledgement letter dated January 21, 2022, we have aggregated these requests for fee purposes. The program/regional office(s) involved have estimated that a total of 3 hours of search time will be necessary to complete your requests, which is expected to result in the release of approximately 62 pages.

Because you are a “non-excepted” requester, you are responsible for search time in excess of two hours and duplication costs above 100 pages. Duplication costs are not expected as you have requested that we furnish the records to you electronically. As such, as reflected in the attached Form 509, Statement of Estimated Fees, your final cost is estimated to be 3 hours x \$87.12/hour = \$261.36, which accounts for the professional search time at the GS14, Step 7 level, and as explained to you in the “Explanation of Fees” page attachment to the [date] acknowledgment letter we sent you, and as required pursuant to 10 C.F.R. 9.37.

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. 9.40(e), we will not continue processing your request until we receive a response from you of your willingness to pay up to the above-referenced fee estimate. Additionally, because the estimated fee exceeds \$250, the NRC will not process your request without advance payment of the estimated fee. We have attached a Form 629, Authorization for Payment by Credit Card, should you choose to remit the estimated fee by credit card. Alternatively, you may remit payment at www.pay.gov by checking the box “Other” and entering the FOIA request’s reference number.

If we have not received a response from you by February 15, 2022, we will administratively close your request. You may also narrow the scope of your request to reduce the estimated fees associated with the processing of your request.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I may be reached by email at brittany.johnson@nrc.gov or by telephone at 301-415-3740.

Thank you,

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