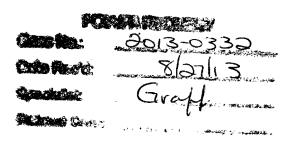


## C-10 Envisions A Clean, Safe, Sustainable Energy Future



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## To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA); 5 U.S.C.552(b), et seq., The C-10 Research and Education Foundation, Inc. (C-10 Foundation), Tax Exempt ID # 22 311 7209, hereby requests information for the subject matter described as follows. This request covers but is not limited to all drafts and final reports, correspondence, memoranda, notes, records of telephone contacts, electronic communications including fax transmissions and e-mail, or other written records, whether in paper or computer discs, diskettes, hard drives, or network systems.) In addition, this request includes studies, analyses, work papers, internal or external communications of any sort, testimony, press releases, reports, memoranda of the like concerning, recording or in any way related to:

Pursuant to this request, please provide all documents and communications prepared or utilized by, in the possession of, or routed through the NRC related to the NRC's Seabrook Alkali-Silica Reaction Issue Technical Team (SAITT) extent of condition investigation concerning the alkali-silica reaction (ASR) concrete degradation occurring at the Seabrook nuclear power plant since the SAITT Charter was approved for implementation on July 9, 2012. This request seeks all records of the NRC staff, the NRC Chairman and Commissioners, and the NRC's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards related to the SAITT.

For any portion of the request that you deem appropriate to deny, The C-10 Research and Education Foundation requests that you describe the information that is denied, identify the exception to the FOIA on which you rely, and explain how that exception applies to the withheld information.

Pursuant to federal regulations at 10CFR 9.41, The C-10 Foundation requests that any searching and copying fees incurred as a result of this search be waived, and provides the following information in response to the eight criteria listed in Section 9.41(b):

## 1) The purpose of request:

The purpose of the request is to gather information on the Seabrook Alkali-Silica reaction Issue Technical Team (SAITT) communication between all members and NRC staff concerning Seabrook's ASR investigation. The requested information is currently not publicly available through the agency's public document room.

2) Extent to which The C-10 Foundation will extract and analyze the substantive content of the records:

The C-10 Foundation is qualified to make use of the requested information. The staff has demonstrated the ability to interpret information and communicate that information in a form comprehensible to the general public. The C-10 Foundation is quoted as a reliable source of information on nuclear power safety issues in newspapers across the country, including the Boston Globe, The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Associated Press, The United Press International, The Newburyport Daily News, The Amesbury Daily News, The Merrimac River Current, The Haverhill Gazette, The Manchester Union Leader, The Boston Herald, The Hampton Union, Fosters Daily Democrat, The Lawrence Eagle Tribune, The Gloucester Daily News, The Portsmouth Herald.

The C-10 Foundation has a working relationship with attorneys, nuclear engineers, and other respected professionals who contribute to the full understanding of nuclear power plant concrete degradation secondary to alkali-silica reaction (ASR).

3) Nature of the specific activity or research in which the records will be used and the C-10 Foundation's qualifications to utilize the information for the intended use in such a way that it will contribute to public understanding:

The C-10 Foundation seeks the requested information solely to contribute to and help shape the public debate on the issue of the alkali-silica reaction (ASR) concrete degradation occurring at the Seabrook nuclear power plant. The C-10 Foundation intends to use the information in order to advance the concerns for public understanding of the need for adherence with NRC regulations.

4) Likely impact on the public's understanding of the subject as compared to the level of understanding of the subject prior to disclosure:

The public understanding of the issues regarding nuclear power steam generator tube integrity will be enhanced by the contribution of this information.

5) Size and nature of the public to whose understanding a contribution will be made:

The C-10 Foundation has an active (subscribing) membership of over 1000 throughout the emergency evacuation zone and extending to an area from Maine to Cape Ann, Ma.

500 additional members periodically receive mailings from The C-10 Foundation. The C-10 Foundation provides resource material to electronic and print media outlets with very broad outreach to our constituency and interested public. Additionally, The C-10 Foundation has a web site (<a href="www.C-10.org">www.C-10.org</a>) that receives on average of 150 visitors per day where postings in this issue will be made available.

6) Means of distribution of the requested information:

The C-10 Foundation will use its own newsletter publication, C-10 Newsletter, and our media contacts in both the electronic and print media outlets to provide very broad outreach to the public.

The C-10 Foundation will also share information with other interested parties concerned about nuclear power plant structural concrete material degradation secondary to alkali-silica reaction (ASR). Additionally, The C-10 Foundation will post information on its web site (<a href="www.C-10.org">www.C-10.org</a>) which receives on average of 150 visitors per day.

7) Whether free access to information will be provided:

The C-10 Foundation will provide the information without charge to all members of the public. Information prepared from the FOIA requested will be posted on the web site for downloading free of charge. The C-10 Foundation will also provide a copy of information to all interested parties without charge.

8) No commercial interest by The C-10 Foundation or any party:

The C-10 Foundation has no commercial interest in obtaining the requested information. This information is provided to all public requests without charge. The sole interest of The C-10 Foundation is to promote a policy debate on nuclear power plant material concrete degradation secondary to alkali-silica reaction (ASR).

Sincerely,

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