



Department of Energy
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December 9, 2016

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
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Via email to: mikerav@verizon.net

RE: FOIA Request SWPA-2017-00197-F

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in final response to the request for information that you sent to Southwestern Power Administration (SWPA) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 5 U.S.C. 552. You requested a copy of any unpublished SWPA report or memoranda concerning threats to the electric grid system from solar electromagnetic storm activity such as a Carrington Event type phenomenon, and/or any steps being taken by SWPA to address this potential problem.

Your request was assigned to SWPA's Office of Power Delivery to conduct a search of its files for responsive records. They have completed their search and found no documents.

This decision, as well as the adequacy of the search, may be appealed within 90 calendar days from your receipt of this letter pursuant to 10 C.F.R. 1004.8. Appeals should be addressed to Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, HG-1, L'Enfant Plaza, U. S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585-1615. The written appeal, including the envelope, must clearly indicate that a FOIA appeal is being made. You may also submit your appeal to OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov, including the phrase, "Freedom of Information Appeal" in the subject line. The appeal must contain all of the elements required by 10 C.F.R. 1004.8, including a copy of the determination letter. Thereafter, judicial review will be available to you in the Federal District Court either: 1) in the district where you reside; 2) where you have your principal place of business; 3) where DOE's records are situated; or 4) the District of Columbia.

You may contact SWPA's FOIA Public Liaison, Larry Yadon, at 918-595-6607 or by mail at One West Third, Tulsa, OK 74103 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIA is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001 email at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

For the purpose of any fees, you will not be charged any fees.

If you have any questions about the processing of your request or this letter, please contact me.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Martha F. Ayers".

Martha F. Ayers
FOIA Officer
Southwestern Power Administration