

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

WASHINGTON, D.C 20503

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Ms. Kimberly Wilson Greenpeace Global Warming Campaign 702 H Street, N.W., Suite 300 Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Ms. Wilson:

This is in response to the July 7, 2003, Freedom of Information Act request filed with CEQ by Mr. James Moore pertaining to the report titled, "Reconstructing Climatic and Environmental Changes of the past 1000 years: Was the 20th Century Climate Unusual? Exploring the Lessons and Limits of Climate History", or other papers authored by Willie Soon or associated with the Marshall Institute relating to global climate change that were released in 2003. That request included, but was not limited to:

"Copies of all correspondence, letters, memos, cables, meeting an teleconference agendas, minutes, notes, transcripts, or tape recordings and phone logs regarding all communications from the Council on Environmental Quality concerning papers authored by Willie Soon or associated with the Marshall Institute relating to global climate changes that were released in 2003,

Copies of all records in the files of the Council on Environmental Quality which have been obtained from other Federal agencies or contain information obtained from other Federal agencies concerning papers authored by Willie Soon or associated with the Marshall Institute relating to global climate change that were released in 2003."

A full search of CEQ's records system was conducted. We have identified forty-five documents, totaling 723 pages, that are responsive and that are being released. Of those forty-five documents, some portion of three documents has been redacted pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(5). Additionally, we are withholding five documents, totaling 14 pages of material that is privileged under 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(5).

Your request for a waiver of all fees is granted.

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If you are dissatisfied with my action on this request you may appeal it by writing to the CEQ FOIA Appeals Officer, 722 Jackson Place, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503, within 45 days of the date of this letter. (Because of problems with mail transmittal, we suggest that you also fax any such appeal to Ted Boling at 456-0753.)

Thank you for your cooperation during this process.

Yours truly,

Dinah Bear General Counsel

Freedom of Information Act Officer

Enclosures