

the request is made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information. You may make a request for expedited processing at the time you submit your FOIA request or at any later time. If you make such a request, you must submit a statement, certified to be true and correct to the best of your belief, explaining in detail the basis for requesting expedited processing. OPIC will notify you of its determination concerning your request for expedited processing within ten days after the date of your request. You may appeal a denial of a request for expedited processing under the provisions at §706.36. OPIC will grant expedited consideration to any such appeal.

**§ 706.33 How will OPIC respond to my FOIA request?**

(a) *OPIC response.* You will be notified in writing once OPIC makes a determination concerning your request. OPIC will respond by providing the requested records to you in whole or in part and/or by denying your request in whole or in part, or by notifying you that OPIC will produce or withhold, in whole or in part, the requested records. If you owe fees, OPIC will respond to you after you have paid the fees.

(1) *Segregable records.* If OPIC determines that part(s) of a record are exempt from disclosure under the FOIA, any reasonably segregable part of the record will be provided to you after redaction of the exempt material. OPIC will mark or annotate any such record to show both the amount and the location of the redacted information wherever practicable. If segregation would render the record meaningless, OPIC will withhold the entire record.

(2) *Denials.* A denial is a determination to withhold any requested record in whole or in part, a determination that a requested record cannot be located, or a determination that what you requested is not a record subject to the FOIA. If OPIC denies all or part of your request, you will be provided:

- (i) The name, title, and signature of the person responsible for the determination;
- (ii) The statutory basis for non-disclosure;
- (iii) A statement that the denial may be appealed under §706.36 and a brief

description of the requirements of that section; and

(iv) If entire records or pages of records are withheld, an estimated volume of the amount of material withheld unless providing such an estimate would harm an interest protected by the FOIA exemption under which the denial is made.

(b) *Referrals to other government agencies.* If you request a record in OPIC's possession that was created or classified by another Federal agency, OPIC will promptly refer your request to that agency for direct response to you unless OPIC can determine by examining the record or by informal consultation with the originating agency that the record may be released in whole or part. OPIC will notify you of any such referral.

**§ 706.34 What, if any, fees will I be charged?**

(a) *General policy.* You generally will be charged for costs incurred by OPIC in complying with your FOIA request, in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section and as required or permitted by law. As explained more fully in paragraph (c) of this section, fees will vary according to your requester status.

(1) Search fees are \$16 per hour.

(2) Review fees are \$35 per hour.

(3) Duplication costs are \$.15 per page for photocopying, and direct costs for all other media (including any operator time involved).

(b) *Anticipated fees.* Your FOIA request must specifically state that you will pay all fees chargeable under this section or, alternatively, that you will pay fees up to a specified limit. If your request makes no reference to anticipated fees and your request is expected to involve fees of more than \$25, or OPIC estimates that the fees will exceed the dollar limit specified in your request, OPIC will promptly notify you of the estimated fees.

(c) *Uniform fee schedule.* Fees will be charged according to your requester status.

(1) *Commercial use requesters.* Commercial use requesters will be charged the cost of all time spent searching for and reviewing for release the requested records and for all duplication costs.