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In reply refer to: DK-7

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### FOIA #BPA-2012-01617-F

Dear Mr. Seligman:

This is the final response to your request for information that you made to the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552.

#### **You have requested:**

Documents relating to BPA's contract(s) with Washington2 Advocates since February 2, 2011. For purposes of this FOIA, the term "BPA" includes all employees, contractors and agents. The term "Washington2 Advocates" includes all employees, contractors and agents:

1. Copies of all contracts and/or contract amendments between BPA and Washington2 Advocates;
2. Copies of all invoices submitted by Washington2 Advocates to BPA;
3. Copies of all communications, whether in written or electronic form, between BPA and Washington2 Advocates. (For purposes of this request, "communications" includes all correspondence, e-mails and their attachments (whether generated by BPA, W2A or others) ;
4. Copies of all work product and written advice, including but not limited to statements of work, reports, analyses, newsletters and other documents, whether in written or electronic form, submitted by Washington2 Advocates to BPA; and
5. The names, dates and titles of all individuals contacted by Washington2 Advocates on behalf of BPA.

#### **Response:**

BPA has compiled all documents related to the Washington2 Advocates contract since February 2, 2011. They are released in their entirety.

All invoices since February 2, 2011, are provided. Some confidential commercial banking information was redacted under Exemption 4 of the FOIA. Under Exemption 4 of FOIA, information may be exempt from disclosure if it is "commercial" in nature, is "obtained [by BPA] from a person (Washington2 Advocates)," and is "privileged or confidential." Here, there

is no question that the redacted information in the invoices is confidential in nature and that BPA obtained it from Washington2 Advocates.

All emails and their attachments are provided. The email addresses of individuals outside of BPA are redacted, and cell phone numbers, under Exemption 6 of the FOIA. Release of this information could subject these individuals to unwanted intrusions of privacy. There is no public interest in the disclosure of this information because it does not shed any light on how BPA has performed its statutory duties.

All statements of work are provided in their entirety.

There are no documents responsive to the request for a listing of the names, dates and titles of all individuals contacted by Washington2 Advocates on behalf of BPA.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 1004.8, if you are dissatisfied with this determination, or the adequacy of the search, you may appeal in writing within 30 calendar days of receipt of a final response letter. The appeal should be made to the Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, HG-1, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-1615. The written appeal, including the envelope, must clearly indicate that a FOIA Appeal is being made.

Fees for this request total \$115.20. You agreed to pay \$50. You will be billed separately for \$50.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. Please contact Kim Winn, Communications Specialist, at (503) 230-5273 with any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Christina J. Munro*  
Christina J. Munro  
Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer

**To obtain a copy of the responsive documents please contact the BPA FOIA Office at 503-230-7305.**