



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

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Administration: Electronic FOIA Request Detail

Thank you for your Freedom of Information Act Information Request. Within the next four weeks we will notify you of either how long the search will take to complete or the availability of the information you requested.

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Reasonably Describe Records

Description: I was the physicist at B Reactor during 1962 and during that time I saw a document written at least in part by John Wheeler during the time he spent at Hanford during WWII. All I ever saw was volume or chapter 16 (12?) but that in itself constituted a significant founding step for the field of reactor physics and should be made publically available for historical reasons.

Optional Information

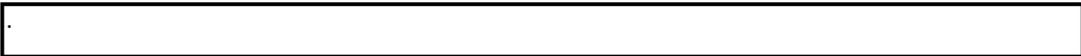
Describe Yourself: Affiliated with an educational or noncommercial scientific institution, and this request is made for scholarly or scientific purpose and not for commercial use.

Cost Information: I request a waiver or reduction of fees.

Waiver Request:

The subject of the request: Whether the subject of the requested records concerns "the operations or activities of the government."
 Operations and activities of the Manhattan Engineering District in WWII

The informative value of the information to be disclosed: Will help to understand the level of reactor physics developed for the construction and operation of the Hanford reactors during WWII.
 Whether the disclosure is "likely to contribute" to an



understanding of government operations or activities.

The contribution to an understanding by the general public of the subject likely to result from disclosure, taking into account your ability and intent to disseminate the information to the public in a form that can further understanding of the subject matter. I would not disseminate the information myself, but would assume that the DOE would find it in its interest to publish this historic scientific information.

The significance of the contribution to public understanding: Whether the disclosure is likely to contribute "significantly" to public understanding of government operations or activities.

Disclosure would provide those in the field of reactor physics with an understanding of its origins and the difficulties overcome in an age before the availability of today's sophisticated computer analyses.

The existence and magnitude of a commercial interest: Whether the requester has a commercial interest that would be furthered by the requested disclosure, and, if so

I have no personal commercial interest. I submit this request because of an interest in the history of my field of nuclear engineering.

The primary interest in disclosure: Whether the magnitude of the identified commercial interest of the requester is sufficiently large, in comparison with the public interest in disclosure, that disclosure is "primarily in the commercial interest of the requester."

disclosure is primarily in the interest of the public

Waiver Cost Information:

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