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## FOIA Request Form from IBM address

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Your Organization: Independent Petroleum Association of America

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

Contact Information Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning who I am filing the request on behalf of are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. If I want to receive greater access to records about a person I represent, I will submit proof that the person consents to the release of the records to me, as discussed in 43 C.F.R. § 2.9.

Bureau/Office: U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location: Wyoming

Request Description:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") FOIA implementing regulations, 40 C.F.R. Part 2, and any other applicable federal statutes, rules and regulations, the Independent Petroleum Association of America ("IPAA"), requests the

following records from the U.S. Geological Survey ("USGS"):

1. All communications (including emails, letters or other correspondence, and any attachments thereto) and any other records shared between or among any current or former USGS personnel or contractor and EPA between September 2011 and the present, related in any way to the investigation of environmental conditions in Pavillion Field, Fremont County, Wyoming ("Pavillion Field").
2. All internal communications (including emails, letters, or other correspondence, and any attachments thereto) and any other records shared internally between or among any current or former USGS personnel or contractor, between September 2011 and the present, related in any way to Pavillion Field.

IPAA files this FOIA request as a non-profit organization and requests a waiver of fees under 5 U.S.C. Section 552(a)(4)(A)(iii). In reference to this request, IPAA provides the following information addressing the points listed in the Department of Justice's FOIA Guide, 2002 Edition: Fees and Fee Waivers:

- IPAA represents thousands of independent oil and natural gas producers and service companies across the United States. As a national trade association headquartered in Washington, D.C., it serves as an informed voice for the exploration and production segment of the industry, and advocates for its members in many different forums. For more information about IPAA, please refer to [www.ipaa.org](http://www.ipaa.org).
- The content from these documents "is likely to contribute" to public understanding of the operations and activities of EPA in Pavillion Field, and it will help IPAA properly inform and advocate for our members' interests on issues related to Pavillion Field.
- Prior to any action on this FOIA request, this information is not in the public domain.
- The disclosures requested through this FOIA do not primarily serve any "commercial interest." Any data derived from our request will be used to ensure transparency and will be readily available to the public.

If USGS nonetheless intends to charge IPAA for responding to any part of this request, please contact the below referenced individual prior to proceeding.

USGS has twenty (20) business days to respond to this FOIA request. If any part of this/these record(s) is not produced based on a claim of privilege or other exemption from disclosure, please prepare a privilege and/or exemption log describing, at a minimum: (i) the type of record withheld; (ii) the dates of creation of the record; (iii) the subject of the record; (iv) identity of the author and all recipients of the record; (v) the names of all people, entities and locations referenced in the record; and (vi) a detailed description of the basis upon which USGS is withholding the record and which specific statutory and regulatory provisions support the withholding. To the extent any responsive documents are withheld based upon a claim of privilege or exemption, please produce redacted copies of all non-privileged or non-exempt material contained within such documents.

Please contact the individual below by telephone or e-mail if you have any questions regarding this request or recommendations on how to streamline or revise it.

Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email

Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing:

Justification for Expedited Processing:

Expedited Processing Certification:

Please select the appropriate statement: I agree to pay fees up to a particular amount (see my response below).

I agree to pay fees up to this particular amount: \$100

To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: affiliated with a private corporation and am seeking information for use in the company's business

Affiliated Organization:

Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria:

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.:

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