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Record Description:

A copy of all memos, emails, telephone summaries, meeting minutes related to the discussion of the joint NIOSH/DOE procedure to ensure security of documents pulled by NIOSH and Sanford Cohen and Associates for the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Act, Part B. NIOSH draft procedure numbers are OCAS Procedure 010 and 011.

Preferred Form or Format: electronic

Type of Requester (if provided):

Fees and Fee Waivers:

I request a waiver or reduction of fees.

Waiver or Reduction of Fees Factors (if provided):

1. The subject of the request: Whether the subject of the requested records concerns "the operations or activities of the government."

This information will help the EEOICPA advocates understand the necessity of initiating this procedure 8 years after the passage of EEOICPA

2. The informative value of the information to be disclosed: Whether the disclosure is "likely to contribute" to an understanding of government operations or activities.

The value is to determine if this procedure will delay or inhibit document retrieval by the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health's auding contractor

3. 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.

This information will help thousands of claimants and their supporters and advocates understand the inner workings of the federal agencies

4. 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 will significantly help the claimants understand if policies will delay awarding compensation claims

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5. 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

No commercial interest

Expedited Processing:

I believe a compelling need exists to warrant expedited processing because there is:

an urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal Government activity exists (this option available ONLY for requesters primarily engaged in disseminating information)

Specific Justification for Expedited Processing:

The policy is still in draft form. The sooner the advocates have information on the history of this procedure, the better we will be able to evaluate if there will be any negative effects.