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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Public Reference Facility (OFA56)
1315 East West Highway (SSMC3)
Room 10730
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear FOIA Request Coordinator:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552).

I request a log of all FOIA requests received in 2010 about the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. I also request any documents which discuss the consequences for marine and wildlife habitats or expansion predictions.

This request is not meant to be exclusive of any other records which, though not specifically requested, would have a reasonable relationship to the subject matter of this request.

In the event that access to any of the requested records is denied, please note that the FOIA provides that if only portions of a requested file are exempted from release, the remainder must still be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all non-exempt portions, which are reasonably segregable.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act.

I anticipate, however, that you will make the requested materials available within the statutorily prescribed period. I thus also request that you waive any applicable fees. For the purpose of determining the applicability of any fees, you should know that I am a graduate student and a journalist and this request is made for scholarly intent and not for commercial use. In this regard, I reiterate that I have no intention of using the information disclosed for financial gain.

Access to the requested records should be granted within twenty (20) working days from the date of your receipt.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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