



Notice of Decision under the Freedom of Information Act 1982

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Decision Maker:

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Date of Decision:

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Organisation:

Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation

This is my decision and reasons in relation to the request made by Dan Monceaux (the applicant) on 20 December 2016. The request sought access to the following document under the FOI Act:

• Electronic copy (scan) of the 1970 Australian Atomic Energy Commission publication, "Disposal of radioactive wastes from U.S. naval nuclear-powered ships, a bibliography."

I am authorised under section 23 of the FOI Act to make a decision.

DECISION

Through consultation with the ANSTO library, a document titled "Disposal of radioactive wastes from U.S. naval nuclear-powered ships, a bibliography" was identified in hard copy form. The document was then scanned to make an electronic version. Due the age of the document it is difficult to read.

I have decided to grant access in full.

Reasonable Searches

To locate the requested document, enquiries were made with ANSTO's Library staff. The library staff located a hard copy of the document and then scanned it in to make an electronic copy.

Review Rights

Attachment B sets out your review rights if you are unhappy with my decision.

Roslyn Hatton

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DISPOSAL OF RADIOACTIVE WASTES FROM
U.S. NAVAL NUCLEAR-POWERED SHIPS

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ATTACHMENT B - REVIEW RIGHTS

Internal review

If you are dissatisfied with this decision, you have certain rights of review available to you. Firstly, under section 54 of the Act, you may apply for an internal review of the decision. It is not necessary to go through ANSTO's internal review process and you may apply for a review by the Information Commissioner (see below). However, the Information Commissioner is of the view that is it usually better to seek an internal review first.

Your application for an internal review must be made within 30 days, or such further period as ANSTO allows, of you receiving this notice.

No particular form is required to apply for review although it will assist your case to set out in the application the grounds on which you believe that the original decision should be overturned. An application for a review of the decision should be addressed to:

FOI Coordinator Locked Bag 2001 Kirrawee DC NSW 2232

Information Commissioner

You may also apply to the Information Commissioner for a review of the decision, or the subsequent internal review decision made by ANSTO. Your application must be made within 60 days, or such further period as the Information Commissioner allows, of you receiving the notice of an initial decision or a decision made on internal review.

No particular form is required to apply for review although it must give details on how notices may be sent to you (e.g. postal or email address) and include a copy of the notice of the decision given by ANSTO. The application should also contain particulars of the basis on which you dispute the decision.

You can lodge your application with the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner in a number of ways:

Online: www.oaic.gov.au

Post: GPO Box 5218 Sydney NSW 2001

Fax: +61 2 9284 9666

Email: enquiries@oaic.gov.au

In person: Level 3, 25 National Circuit, Forrest, ACT, or at Level 8, Piccadilly Tower, 133

Castlereagh Street, Sydney, NSW

Complaints to the Commonwealth Ombudsman

You may also complain to the Ombudsman concerning action taken by an agency in the exercise of powers or the performance of functions under the FOI Act. There is no fee for making a complaint. The Ombudsman will make a completely independent investigation of your complaint.

Complaints can be made in writing (GPO Box 442, Canberra ACT 2601), by telephone (1300 362 072), in person or by using an online complaint form: see www.ombudsman.gov.au.

The Ombudsman usually prefers applicants to seek internal review before requesting investigation of a complaint by the Ombudsman.