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Subject: **Freedom of Information Act Appeal, FOIA No. FY15-129 (Godfrey)**
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Dear Mr. Godfrey:

Please find attached an electronic copy of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's response regarding your Freedom of Information Act Appeal under FOIA No. FY15-129. The original is being mailed to you via the U.S. Postal Service.

Cordially,

Brenda Greer

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20426

DEC 01 2015 Re: FOIA Appeal No. FY15-129,
Request for Expedited Treatment

Mr. Robert Godfrey
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Dear Mr. Godfrey:

On October 8, 2015, the Director of the Office of External Affairs (Director) issued an initial determination letter denying your request for expedited processing of your September 28, 2015 request for documents under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552 (2012) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC) FOIA regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 388.108 (2015). You appealed that determination on October 20, 2015. As explained below, Commission staff is administratively closing your request for expedited processing because the response to your request has been completed.

On October 27, 2015, the Director issued a determination pursuant to your FOIA request in which he partially released conference call logs. On November 3, 2015, Michael Watson of my staff spoke with you about your FOIA request and the Director's October 27, 2015 determination. During that conversation, you expressed your belief that the Agency had not conducted an adequate search of its non-public files for the information you sought. In light of that conversation, the Agency conducted a second search of its non-public files.

On November 27, 2015, the Director issued a supplemental response to your original FOIA request and released an additional ten documents in their entirety. Accordingly, your requested relief as to the expedited processing of your request has been effectively provided and no further relief is available. *See Muttitt v. Dept. of State*, 926 F. Supp. 2d 284, 295-97 (D.D.C. 2013) (the Court concluded that a FOIA requester's expedited processing claim is moot when an agency has provided a final substantive response to an individual's FOIA request). If you have any questions regarding the processing of your request, please contact Mr. Watson of my staff at 202-502-8909.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles A. Beamon".

Charles A. Beamon
Associate General Counsel