U.S. Department of Homeland Security Washington, DC 20528



Science and Technology

December 27, 2011

Steven Aftergood Federation of American Scientists 1725 DeSales Street NW, Suite 600 Washington, DC 20036

Re: S&T 11-0003.54

Dear Mr. Aftergood:

This is an amended final response to your October 28, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology Directorate (S&T), for a report entitled "Solar EMP" that was performed for DHS S&T this year by the JASON advisory panel. Your request was received in this office on October 28, 2011. Your perfected request, which included report reference number JSR-11-320 was received in this office on November 18, 2011.

In a letter dated November 20, 2011 we informed you that a search of S&T's Director of Research and Development Partnerships Group for documents responsive to your request were withheld in their entirety pursuant to Title 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(5) because the requested report, JSR-11-320 "Impacts of Severe Space Weather on the Electric Grid" was a draft document that had not been finalized. S&T's Director of Research and Development Partnerships Group recently received final documents responsive to your request which produced a total of 105 pages. I have determined that 105 pages of the records are releasable in their entirety.

You have a right to appeal the above withholding determination. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 60 days of the date of this letter, to: Associate General Counsel (General Law), U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Washington, D.C. 20528, following the procedures outlined in the DHS regulations at 6 C.F.R. § 5.9. Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS regulations are available at <u>www.dhs.gov/foia</u>.

Provisions of the FOIA [AND PRIVACY ACT] allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. In this instance, because the cost is below the \$25 minimum, there is no charge.

If you need to contact our office again about this matter, please refer to **S&T 11-0003.54**. This office can be reached at (202) 254-6742 or <u>stfoia@dhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Katrina Hagan FOIA Analyst

Enclosure: 1) Impacts of Severe Space Weather on the Electric Grid Report JSR-11-320, 105 pages