

Feb 8, 2005

Departmental Disclosure Officer
Department of Homeland Security
Washington, D.C. 20528

Dear Officer,

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. subsection 552, I am requesting the following information or records:

1. All documents related to the conditions, compensation, competition, bidding, assignment, and evaluation of the Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) from 1999 to 2005.
2. All documents related to the records, transactions, investigations, advisories, and analysis published by the Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) Project contract from 1999 until 2005.
3. All documents regarding the conditions, compensation, competition, bidding, assignment, performance, and evaluation of contracts with MITRE with regard to computer vulnerability assessment, computer vulnerability detection, computer exploitation, computer network defense, and computer security from 1999 to 2005.

I am a member of the news media and will use these documents in part of my published work. I understand that there may be fees associated with this document retrieval and hereby agree to pay up to \$25 for the retrieval and duplication of the requested documents. If the fee is in excess of \$25, please contact me before beginning any work.

If you deny all or any part of this request, please cite each specific exemption you think justifies your refusal to release the information and notify me of appeal procedures available under the law.

If you have any questions about handling this request, you may telephone me at 303-832-9194 (home).

Sincerely,

Brian Martin
1767 Pearl St #108
Denver, CO 80203



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March 28, 2005

Brian Martin
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Denver, CO 80203

Re: **DHS/OS/PO 05-270**

Dear Mr. Martin:

This acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). We received your request on February 18, 2005. You requested copies of documents that pertain to the Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) Project.

You stated in your request that you are willing to pay assessable fees up to \$25. You will be contacted before any additional fees are accrued.

We apologize for the time involved in getting this acknowledgement letter to you. Currently, we have 243 pending FOIA/PA requests.

Your request has been assigned reference number **DHS/OS/PO 05-270**. Please refer to this identifier in any future correspondence. As stated in the DHS Interim Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act regulations (Title 6, Chapter I, Part 5A, Section 5.5), the Department processes FOIA requests according to their order of receipt. Nevertheless, I want to assure you that we will respond to your request as soon as possible.

Sincerely,


for J.A. Kendrick

Director, Departmental Disclosure & FOIA



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November 29, 2005

Brian Martin
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Denver, CO 80203

Re: **DHS/OS/PO 05-270**

Dear Mr. Martin:

This letter details further action on your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). You requested copies of documents that pertain to the Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) Project.

In processing your request, this office intended to request a search of files within the Office of the National Cyber Security Division with the understanding that any responsive documents located by that office would be reviewed and released through this office. However, due to an administrative reorganization, that office now falls under the Office of the Under Secretary for Preparedness, which is authorized to respond directly to FOIA requests for records under its cognizance.

Therefore, I am referring your request to the FOIA Officer for the Undersecretary for Preparedness, Sandy Ford, for processing and direct response to you. You may contact Ms. Ford via email at Sandy.Ford@dhs.gov.

If you need to contact our office again about this matter, please refer to DHS/OS/PO 05-270/Martin request. Please refer to this identifier in any future correspondence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "C. Papoi", written over a light blue circular stamp.

Catherine Papoi
Deputy Director, Departmental Disclosure & FOIA



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December 23, 2005

Mr. Brian Martin
1767 Pearl Street
Denver, CO 80203

Re: DHS/OS/PO 05-270

Dear Mr. Martin:

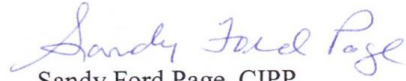
This acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) for copies of documents that pertain to the Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) Project. Your request was received by the Under Secretary for Preparedness Directorate on December 12, 2005.

Your request has been merged with the existing requests in this Directorate. Please be assured that your request will still be processed in the order that it was originally received by DHS Headquarters and not the date it was received in this office.

In order to maintain continuity, we will still refer to the identifier that DHS assigned to your request, DHS/OS/PO 05-270. Please refer to this identifier in any future correspondence. Our address is: Under Secretary for Preparedness – Disclosure Office, 3801 Nebraska Avenue, NW, Nebraska Avenue Complex, Building 81, Washington, DC 20528.

If you would like further information, please contact me at 202-282-8522 or by email at sandy.ford@dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sandy Ford Page". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Sandy Ford Page, CIPP
Director, Disclosure Office
Under Secretary for
Preparedness Directorate



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August 14, 2007

Mr. Brian Martin
1767 Pearl Street
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Mr. Martin:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Your request was subsequently forwarded to the National Protection and Programs Directorate (formerly Directorate for Preparedness). You requested the following information or records:

1. All documents related to the conditions, compensation, competition, bidding, assignment, and evaluation of the Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) from 1999 to 2005.
2. All documents related to the records, transactions, investigations, advisories, and analysis published by the Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) Project contract from 1999 until 2005.
3. All documents regarding the conditions, compensations, competition, bidding, assignment, performance, and evaluations of contracts with MITRE with regard to computer vulnerability assessment, computer vulnerability detection, computer exploitation, computer network defense, and computer security from 1999 to 2005.

After a thorough search of Directorate files, the enclosed 678 numbered pages were identified as responsive to your request.

Portions of the records provided were redacted to protect information exempt from mandatory public disclosure under provision of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552; specifically,

- Commercial or financial information of a privileged or confidential nature, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4); and
- Personal information of individuals. 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6).

I made this determination in my capacity as the Directorate's Initial Denial Authority. You have the right to appeal this decision. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal within 60 days of the date of this letter to the following address: Associate General Counsel (General Law), Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528, following the administrative procedures outlined in Subpart A, Section 5.9, of the DHS FOIA Regulations. Your envelope and letter should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal" and reference FOIA case number **PREP06F040**. The FOIA and implementing DHS regulations are available at www.dhs.gov/xfoia/editorial_0318.shtm.

The fee for processing your request is \$24.40, calculated as follows: \$8.00 for search (0.5 hours x \$16.00/hour), \$14.00 for review (0.5 hours x \$28.00/hour), and \$2.40 for the compact disc. Please remit your check or money order payable to the **US Treasury** to the following address and reference **PREP06F040**:

National Protection and Programs Directorate, FOIA Office
3801 Nebraska Ave, NW
Nebraska Avenue Complex
Building 17
Washington, DC 20528

Should you have any questions concerning your case, please contact me at (202) 282-9917 and reference FOIA case **PREP06F040**.

Sincerely,



Alisa N. Turner
Freedom of Information Act Officer
Initial Denial Authority
National Protection and Programs Directorate

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