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Here, "Waxman" is US. Representative Henry Waxman.

CONTEXT:

The "Wegman Report [1, 2] was led by Edward Wegman of George Mason University, begun September 2005, presented to Congress July 2006. Page 1 said:

"We would also like to acknowledge the contributions of John T. Rigsby, III, Naval Surface Warfare Center."

During July-September 2006, people (such as Stanford's David Ritson) sought the code and data used to create the report, but it was not forthcoming. Ritson wrote: [3]

'Finally Wegman replied on Sept 1, 2006 to Waxman:

'I will create a website that fully discloses all supporting material related to our report to the extent possible. (Some of the code we used was developed by former and current students working at the Naval Surface Warfare Center in Dahlgren, Virginia and may not be disclosed without approval through the Navy's public release process.)''

Known former Wegman students at NSWC include Jeffrey Solka and David Marchette. Rigsby was then also a student of Wegman's at George Mason University. The website was never built and as far as I know, the code ascribed to the Navy was never released. Presumably Rigsby and least one other person can locate this code.

FOIA REQUEST, Covering Sept 2005 (when Wegman's efforts started) - present. I would like to receive:

- 1) The code mentioned above. The Wegman Report used codes for analyzing historic temperature records (as from tree rings) and social networks, neither of which would seem to create security concerns for the Navy*, but were used to generate a well-publicized report to Congress, so are of wider interest.
- 2) Documentation of requests by Wegman, Rigsby or anyone else to release the code.
- 3) Records of NSWC time/money/resources spent by Rigsby (or other NSWC employees) on work on the Wegman Report.

Also, please let me know if this format is an acceptable request, or if I need to print it and mail it. Likewise, if there are any questions, please let me know, as I would be happy to help minimize the search effort on this.

Sincerely,

John R. Mashey, PhD

* I gave a lecture at Dahlgren about 15 years ago, and know that you do much work that is security-relevant, but I cannot imagine how this could be.

[1] http://republicans.energycommerce.house.gov/108/home/07142006_Wegman_Report.pdf

[2] <http://deepclimate.files.wordpress.com/2010/09/strange-scholarship-v1-02.pdf>

[3] <http://deepclimate.org/2010/10/24/david-ritson-speaks-out/>