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CERTIFIED MAIL

Ms. Sarah Washburn
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Dear Ms. Washburn:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2009-0067)

You requested, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), the following documents relating to:

1. "The authorization, decision to use, and actual use of any and all pesticides and herbicides anywhere within the Hanford Reach and/or the 100 and 300 Areas of the Hanford Nuclear Site (river corridor) in the past 5 years and for the next 3 years."
2. "The names, amounts, and methods of application of any pesticides and herbicides used anywhere within the Hanford Reach and/or the 100 and 300 Areas of the Hanford Nuclear Site (river corridor) in the past 5 years and for the next 3 years."
3. "Any correspondence between the USDOE and the Washington Department of Ecology concerning the authorization and use of such pesticides and herbicides."
4. "Any correspondence between the USDOE and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concerning the authorization and use of such pesticides and herbicides."
5. "Any correspondence between the USDOE and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries) concerning the authorization and use of such pesticides and herbicides."

This office provided you with partial responses on September 14 and September 25, 2009, for items 1 and 2. This is our final response to your request. We have conducted a thorough search for items 3, 4 and 5, and no documents were located. This search was conducted by those within the agency who are most familiar with the subject matter of your request, in locations where documents would most likely be found. Specifically, we searched the files of Washington Closure Hanford, CH2M HILL Plateau Remediation Company, Mission Support Alliance and its predecessor Fluor Hanford, Inc., RL's Environmental Management Division, Site Infrastructure Services & Information Management Division and the Assistant Manager for Mission Support.

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The undersigned individual is responsible for this determination. You have the right to appeal to the Office of Hearings and Appeals, as provided in 10 CFR 1004.8, for the adequacy of our search. Any such appeal shall be made in writing to the following address: Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals (HG-1), U.S. Department of Energy, L'Enfant Plaza Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20585-1615, and shall be filed within 30 days after receipt of this letter. Should you choose to appeal, please provide this office with a copy of your letter.

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact me at our address above or on (509) 376-6288.

Sincerely,



Dorothy Riehle
Freedom of Information Act Officer
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and External Affairs

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