



Department of Energy
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CERTIFIED MAIL

June 19, 2012

Mr. William Burr
The George Washington University
Gelman Library, Suite 701
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Mr. Burr:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2012-01467)

This is in response to the request for information that you sent to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). In that letter you requested a copy of a report prepared in early 1960 by the Atomic Energy Commission Richland Operations Office evaluating the natural uranium graphite reactor route for the production for nuclear weapons.

We have conducted a thorough search using key words such as natural uranium, reactor and natural, uranium-graphite, reactor route and found the enclosed document entitled, "The Nuclear Parameters of Some Graphite – Natural Uranium Lattices Measured in the PCTR." If this is not the document you were requesting, please provide this office with additional information regarding dates, titles, file designations, offices to be searched, and other additional information that may help identify the record you are seeking.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dorothy Riehle".

Dorothy Riehle
Freedom of Information Act Officer
Office of Communications
and External Affairs

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Enclosure