



Department of Energy
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July 12, 2013

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Craig Hall
(home address has been deleted)

Dear Mr. Hall:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2013-01161)

This letter is in response to your electronic Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requesting the following information: 1) Complete contract DOE has with Penser, 2) litigation costs over the years DOE has paid to Penser, 3) how many claims are denied yearly and 4) how many claims eventually are accepted.

In response to item 1, the contract is publicly available on the Internet at:
<http://www.hanford.gov/?page=1046>

In response to item 2, the information is as follows:

FY10 \$373,193.23
FY11 \$271,526.94
FY12 \$339,921.62
FY13 \$288,375.02

In response to items 3 and 4, the information is as follows:

FY 2010
Denied - 64
Accepted - 273

FY 2011
Denied - 75
Accepted - 354

FY 2012
Denied - 85
Accepted - 302

FY 2013 (as of 12-31-12)
Denied - 15
Accepted -67

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For purposes of assessment of fees, you have been categorized under 10 CFR 1004.9(b)(4), as an "other" requester. In this category, you are entitled to two free hours of search time and 100 pages of duplication at no cost. Two hours of search time was spent for your request, therefore, there will be no charge for this response.

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

Sincerely,

-Original Signed By

Dorothy Riehle
Freedom of Information Act Officer
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and External Affairs

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