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**CERTIFIED MAIL**

Mr. Tom Carpenter  
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Dear Mr. Carpenter:

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2013-00964)**

This letter is our final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request that you sent to this office requesting records relating in connection with the AY-102 double-shell tank failure. Each item of your request is re-stated below:

1. “Any and all records reflecting correspondence (including letters and emails) between the Department of Energy offices at Hanford (DOE ORP or RL) related to the AY-102 tank and the State of Washington, including any agency thereof and/or the Office of the Governor, any committee, subcommittee, or member of Congress, any other DOE office external to Hanford, including but not limited to Headquarters’ offices, including the Office of the Secretary of Energy, EM, HSS, General Counsel, or other DOE office, and any other external entity if the correspondence and/or email relates to or is generated in connection with the AY-102 waste issue.”

In an e-mail to me dated May 6, 2013, you clarified this portion of your request and stated you were seeking documents regarding the AY-102 tank failure. Responsive documents are included as Enclosure I.

2. “Any and all records reflecting notifications, alerts, or reports regarding the discovery of the possibility of a leak within AY-102, including but not limited to any notifications made to and/or between the Washington State Departments of Ecology and/or Health, the Washington State Governor’s Office, the Secretary of Energy and/or any other agency or entity to which notifications were provided.”

Responsive documents are included as Enclosure II.

3. "Any and all videos of the AY-102 tank annulus dated from September 2011 to the date of this request."

We provided a response to you for this item in a letter dated July 2, 2013.

4. "Any and all historical records relating to the history and contents of Tank AY102, not available to the public on the internet or in the public reading room."

On May 6, 2013, in an e-mail to me, you narrowed the time frame of your request from September 2011 to the date of your request. Responsive documents are included as Enclosure III. In addition, in an e-mail dated May 15, 2013, I informed you that we had received an estimate from our subject matter experts and approximately 15 boxes of documents would need to be searched and reviewed. You responded on May 17, 2013, and narrowed the scope of this item to a listing of documents. We have conducted queries of the multiple databases and copies of the results are provided as Enclosure IV.

Additionally you stated "this request is not intended to cover any documents that are available to the public in the public reading room or on the internet."

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

Sincerely,

-Original Signed By-

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Freedom of Information Act Officer  
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Enclosures