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FOIA Officer
United States Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue SW
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RE: Freedom of Information Request: Amount of Fees and Expenses Paid to Contractor Law Firms in the *In Re Hanford Nuclear Reservation Litigation*, CV-91-3015-WFN, (A.K.A.: *Dupont- Hanford Non-Class Action*), U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington. It includes the full itemization of the hourly charges of the contractor law firm, travel expenses, and fees of experts.

Dear FOIA Officer,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552, please provide the following information:

1. Fiscal Year 2011 and Fiscal Year 2012 Reports from the Legal Management Tracking System (LMTS), Summary by Case/Law Firm, for the DuPont-Hanford Non-Class Action, with breakdown by month or quarter, cumulative cost to date by law firm, and grand total cumulative cost to date. These records may also be found at the Richland Operations Office, Richland, Washington.

a) The summary should include an itemization of attorney hourly fees paid for review of plaintiff interrogatories and medical reports; hourly charges for preparation and taking depositions, meetings with expert witnesses and consultants, and preparing for and attending court hearings and reporting to clients. Also the costs of acquiring medical reports and databases; all travel expenses for depositions, meetings with experts and clients, and court hearings.

b) If there is an "other" category, please explain the type of costs that would be characterized as "other" expenses.

2. Please provide Contractor Law Firms' hourly fees for any other type of work not specified above on the *In Re Hanford Nuclear Reservation Litigation*, CV-91-3015-WFN, (A.K.A.: *Dupont- Hanford Non-Class Action*) for the fiscal years 2011 and 2012.

3. If there has been an audit or audits by the DOE Office of General Counsel, or the DOE generally, of the fees and costs reimbursed to the contractor law firms associated with work on the *In Re Hanford Nuclear Reservation Litigation*, CV-91-3015-WFN, (A.K.A.: *Dupont- Hanford Non-Class Action*):

a) Please provide a copy of all audit reports as referenced in 10 CFR Ch. III sec. 719.38.

4. Please provide a copy of all DOE Office of General Counsel reports to the U.S. Congress related specifically to the *In Re Hanford Nuclear Reservation Litigation*, CV-91-3015-WFN, (A.K.A.: *DuPont-Hanford Non-Class Action*).

5. Please provide a copy of the 2012 and 2013 annual legal budget and cost projections specific to the *In Re Hanford Nuclear Reservation Litigation*, CV-91-3015-WFN, (A.K.A.: *DuPont-Hanford Non-Class Action*) submitted by the Contractor Law Firms associated with this case (pursuant to the requirements of 10 CFR Ch. III sec. 719.17(a) and (b)).

The undersigned requestor agrees to pay whatever fees will be assessed under 10 CFR part 1004.9, up to a total of \$50 (US). If the fees for this request exceed \$50, please contact the requestor with an estimate of the assessed fees.

Yours very truly,



Tom H. Foulds

This request is being made by above counsel for, and on behalf of, various individuals named as plaintiffs in the aforementioned litigation.

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