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July 23, 2014

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

Ms. Anna Clark  
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Dear Ms. Clark:

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2014-01311)**

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated June 23, 2014, requesting the following information pertaining to Contracts No. DE-AC27-01RV14136 and DE-AC27-08RV14800.

1. "Any and all records documenting, establishing or detailing the funding sources for DE-AC27-01RV14136 – WTP RPP VIT Plant Contract and DE-AC27-08RV14800 – Tank Operations Contract, including, but not limited to, documentation relative to the U.S. Department of Energy's appropriations for these projects as well as any another federal funding sources for the execution and performance of the contracts referenced above."
2. "Any and all records, documenting establishing or detailing any transfer of funds by the U.S Department of Energy or any other federal agency between the two contracts referenced above."

In response to item 1, provided below is the link for the appropriations. This is the original source of funding for both contracts, Hanford Tank Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (WTP), Contract DE-AC27-01RV14136; and the Tank Operations Contract (TOC)– Contract DE-AC27-08RV14800. The Department of Energy is listed under "Energy and Water". The two source of funds for the contracts are under the "Office of River Protection, Environmental Management" section of the Department of Energy located at this link:

<http://thomas.loc.gov/home/approp/app09.html>

Also responsive to this item is the enclosed Excel Spreadsheet reflecting the historical appropriations for the Tank Farm Activities and the WTP activities. The majority of these funds are obligated each year to the two Prime Contracts referenced above.

For item 2, in an e-mail to me dated July 7, 2014, you clarified this item and stated you were requesting data related to funds transferred between the WTP contract and the TOC.

There were no fund transfers between these two contracts. However, within the contract modifications for the TOC, you will see some that are related to funds, which were appropriated to the WTP, being added to the TOC contract. These modifications would be found beginning with modification number 224 and subsequent. Funding which is identified to Program Codes 1111241 through 1111245 would be representative of funding appropriated for the WTP. This information is publicly available on the Internet at: <http://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm?page=718>

TOC funds were never placed on the Bechtel National, Inc., contract so there is no record of a contract modification relating to a funds transfer in that contract.

As previously indicated to you in our letter dated July 8, 2014, you have been categorized under 10 CFR 1004.9(b)(4) as an "other" requester. In this category, you are entitled to two hours of search time and 100 pages at no cost. We have exhausted the two hours of search time. If you would like DOE to specifically identify what BNI modifications are responsive to this portion of your request, we estimate approximately 8 hours of search time between \$29.14/hour and \$40.00/hour. Your request could cost between \$233.12 and \$320.00. Should you wish to proceed, please provide this office with a statement of your willingness to pay the estimated search time charge. If we do not hear from you within seven working days from the date of this letter with either a willingness to pay such fees or a modified request, no further agency action will be taken.

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,

-Original Signed By-

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

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Enclosure