CERTIFIED MAIL

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Dear Mr. Carpenter:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2015-00282)

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request that you sent to this office requesting the following records:

1. “Any and all drafts of the Savannah River National Laboratory report from the Hanford Tank Vapor Assessment Team (TVAT), including but not limited to the draft dated September 21, 2014.”

2. “Any and all implementation plans prepared by Washington River Protection Solutions relating to or generated in connection with the Savannah River National Laboratory TVAT report.”

Your request was assigned to the DOE’s Office of River Protection and Washington River Protection Solutions, LLC (WRPS) to conduct a search of its files for responsive documents.

In response to Item 1, we located one draft dated September 21, 2014, Document No SRNL-RP-2014-00791, Revision 0. However, this document was generated by the Savannah River National Laboratory. On December 10, 2014, we forwarded your request to the DOE Savannah River Operations Office to conduct a search. We have received confirmation from the FOIA Officer at that location and she confirmed this draft was also located in its files and is currently being reviewed for a release determination. For your reference, the FOIA Officer for the Savannah River Operations Office is: Ms. Pauline Conner. Her address is: P.O. Box A, Aiken, SC., 29801. She can also be contacted on (803) 952-8134. We have asked Ms. Conner to provide a release determination to you. No other documents were located in our files.

In response to Item 2, WRPS has indicated that it has not completed any implementation plans and as such, no documents responsive to this request exist. However, WRPS has indicated the implementation plan is anticipated to be completed by approximately the end of the month. You may wish to submit another request at that time.
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-

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