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Certified Mail

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Dear Ms. Townsend:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2017-01079)

This letter is in response to the electronic Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request you submitted to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Headquarters FOIA Office on May 8, 2017. This office received your request on May 12, 2017. In your request you asked for

1. "All records from January 20, 2017 to the date of this search that mention, include, or reference national monument designations made by any President of the United States since January 1, 1996 (See Attachment A. State by State Monuments Lists); and
2. All records mentioning, including, or referencing Exec. Order No. 13792, 82 F.R. 20429 (Apr. 26, 2017), "Review of Designations Under the Antiquities Act" (See Attachment B. Presidential Executive Order on the Review of Designations Under the Antiquities Act)."

On May 12, 2017, a search for records was initiated and your request was assigned to the DOE Richland Operations Office (RL) Site Stewardship Division (including the Land Management Program), the RL's Office of the Deputy Manager, and the RL's Office of Access and Use to conduct a search for any responsive documents. The searches have been completed and no documents were located. The searches were conducted by representatives of the agency who are familiar with the subject areas of your request, in locations where responsive documents would most likely be found.

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. Should you choose to exercise this right, your appeal must be filed within 90 days after receipt of this letter. You may submit your appeal by email to [OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov](mailto:OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov), including the phrase "Freedom of Information Appeal" in the subject line. Alternatively, any such appeal may 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. Should you choose to appeal, please provide my office with a copy of your appeal.

You may contact the DOE RL FOIA Public Liaison, Richard Buel, at (509) 376-3375, or by mail at P.O. Box 550, Richland, Washington, 99352 for any further assistance and/or to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, email at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

In addition, you requested a waiver of fees. As costs associated with your request were minimal, a determination on your request for a fee waiver is not being made.

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact me at our address above or (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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