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May 17, 2018

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Alan Clements
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Dear Mr. Clements:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2018-01042)

This letter is in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request you submitted to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Headquarters FOIA Office on May 2, 2018, requesting “any and all records regarding the use or purchase of materials known as Mundet Cork, Mundet Mineral Wood Finishing Cement, Mundet Mineral Wool Insulating Cement, Mundet Cork 85% Magnesia Asbestos Insulation, Mundet Block Insulation and/or Mundet Pipe covering which were located at the Hanford nuclear facility in Washington.” Your request has been forwarded to this office for response and was received on May 4, 2018.

In a telephone conversation with me on May 4, 2018, you narrowed the scope of your request for documents from March 1, 1943 through December 31, 1965. In addition you agreed this office would conduct a search for documents from our databases using the key word “Mundet.”

We conducted a thorough record search by key word “Mundet” with the time frame provided and no documents were located. Our search was conducted by individuals within the agency who are most familiar with the subject matter of your request. We searched the archive files and databases in the Records Holding Area that maintains and stores archived Hanford Site records and records located in the Integrated Data Management System.

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. Your appeal shall be filed within 90 days after receipt of this letter. You may submit your appeal by e-mail to 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 this office with a copy of your e-mail or letter.

You may contact the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Richland Operations Office (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 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; telephone at (202) 741-5770; toll free at 877-684-6448; or facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

Costs associated with your request are as follows:

Search time – 1.5 hours @ \$ 53.02/hour	Total \$ 79.53
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Your check of \$79.53 should be made payable to DOE and sent to my attention at P.O. Box 550, Mail Stop H5-20, Richland, Washington 99352.

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

Sincerely,

-Original Signed By-

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

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