



Department of Energy
Richland Operations Office
P.O. Box 550
Richland, Washington 99352

March 13, 2019

CERTIFIED MAIL

Ms. Ellen Geyer



Dear Ms. Geyer:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2019-00449)

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. Your request was transferred to this office for a response and was received on February 7, 2019. In your request you asked for:

Copies of any records of security breaches at United States Nuclear Weapons facilities, including but not limited to, Los Alamos, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories, Sandia National Laboratory, Nevada National Security Site, the Pantex Plant, the Kansas City Plant, the Savannah River site, Y-12 National Security Complex and other Oak Ridge sites, Hanford, the Trinity Site, and Mound Laboratory.

In a December 12, 2018, phone conversation with Ms. Danielle Blevins of the DOE Headquarters FOIA Office, you clarified you were seeking records for “intentional, unauthorized access to the site” or “intentional breaches” by an activist type.

Your request was assigned to the DOE Richland Operations Office (RL) Security, Emergency Services & Information Management Division and Mission Support Alliance, LLC., to conduct a search of their files. A search was also conducted of the archive files and databases in the Records Holding Area that maintains and stores archived Hanford Site records, and records located in the Integrated Document Management System using the below key words, and no responsive documents were located:

Intentional Unauthorized Access + Activist
Intentional Breach(es) + Activist

If you would like to provide this office with additional information that may assist in the search for records, please contact me at the address listed on page 1. 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 this 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, including the phrase "Freedom of Information Appeal" in the subject line (this is the method preferred by the Office of Hearings and Appeals). 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. The appeal must contain all the elements required by 10 CFR 1004.8, including a copy of the determination letter. Should you choose to appeal, please provide my office with a copy of your appeal. Thereafter, judicial review will be available to you in the Federal District Court either (1) in the district where you reside, (2) where you have your principal place of business, (3) where DOE's records are situated, or (4) in the District of Columbia.

You may contact the 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 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

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