Mr. Tom Clements  
Director, Savannah River Site Watch  
1112 Florence Street  
Columbia, SC 29201  

Dear Mr. Clements:

SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request Savannah River Operations Office SRO-2020-00565-F

This is to acknowledge your March 1, 2020 FOIA request for copies of:

(1) Any modification to the original Work for Others (WFO) agreement between DOE/Savannah River Nuclear Solutions and Jülich Entsorgungsgesellschaft für Nuklearanlagen (JEN) - located at the Forschungszentrum Jülich (FZJ) in Germany - and the Savannah River Site, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, and/or the Savannah River National Laboratory after September 3, 2019. Modification Number 6 to the Work for Others agreement terminated on February 29, 2020, so this request covers any "modification" or new agreement subsequent to Modification Number 6. The requested modification(s) may be called Modification Number 7 (and higher);

(2) Any documentation on import of irradiated or unirradiated graphite fuel "pebbles" from Germany to SRS. (At the time of this filing, it is believed that JEN obtained initial permission to export 33 fuel pebbles, but final permission had not been obtained from Bundesamt für Wirtschaft und Ausfuhrkontrolle (BAFA) - the Office of Economics and Export Control.); and

(3) Any attachments to Modification 7 requested above and any reports from any SRS entity has provided to Germany under the most recent modified Work for Others agreement.

Your request was received on March 9, 2020 and has been assigned control number SRO-2020-00565-F. Since we receive numerous requests each year, please use this number in any correspondence with the Department about your request.

In the meantime, we are conducting a search for responsive documents. We estimate 30-60 working days are needed to identify and produce the requested records that may exist at the Savannah River Site facilities. Once the results of the search are known and any documents are located and provided to us for review and release, we will process your request in the order it was received. This is consistent with the DOE-wide policy to process the requested records on a first-in, first-out basis. It could take additional time beyond the estimate before we can complete your request.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (803) 952-7813 or jennifer.farmer@srs.gov.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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