

## **Department of Energy**Savannah River Operations Office

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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Tom Clements 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 letter constitutes our final response to your November 1, 2019 FOIA request for copies of (1) Any modification to the original Work for Others (WFO) agreement between DOE/Savannah River Nuclear Solutions and Jülicher Entsorgungsgesellschaft für Nuklearanlagen (JEN) - located at the Forschungzentrum Jüelich (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.

The enclosed documents are responsive to your request and are being provided in their entirety.

If you wish to challenge the adequacy of the search or the information withheld, you must submit a written appeal within 90 calendar days after receipt of this letter denying in part and granting in part the requested information. Written appeals should be submitted to the Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, L'Enfant Plaza Building, Washington, DC 20585, under 10 CFR § 1004.8, which sets forth the required elements of such appeals. Thereafter, judicial review will be available within the district in which a requester resides, has a principal place of business, in the place in which the records are situated, or in the District of Columbia. You may also submit your appeal by e-mail to OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov, including the phrase "FOIA Appeal" in the subject line.

You may contact me, DOE Savannah River Operations Office's (SR's) FOIA Public Liaison, at (803) 952-7618 or by mail at PO Box A, Aiken, SC, 29802 for any further assistance 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

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Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, email at <a href="mailto:ogis@nara.gov">ogis@nara.gov</a>; telephone at (202) 741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

As Chief Counsel, DOE-SR, I am the authorizing and denying official for the documents responsive to your request. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Jennifer Farmer at (803) 952-7813 or jennifer.farmer@srs.gov.

Sincerely,

OCC: LMK:anv

Lucy M. Knowles
Authorizing Official