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Mr. Marvin Kinney
Port of Benton
3100 George Washington Way
Richland, Washington 99354

Dear Mr. Kinney:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2010-00296)

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, you requested Contract AT-45-1-GEN 21 between the Atomic Energy Commission and the Northern Pacific Railway Company dated December 7, 1948.

We have conducted a thorough search and were unable to locate the contract. This search was conducted by those within the agency who are most familiar with the subject matter of your request in locations where the document would most likely be found. Specifically we searched the Records Holding Area that stores archived historical information pertaining to the Hanford Site.

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. Any such appeal shall 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, and shall be filed within 30 days after receipt of this letter. Should you choose to appeal, please provide this office with a copy of your letter.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dorothy Riehle".

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

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