

## **Department of Energy**

Savannah River Operations Office P.O. Box A Aiken, South Carolina 29802

December 7, 2016

VIA EMAIL

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

Dear Mr. Clements:

SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Act Request (FOIA), Savannah River Operations Office SRO-2017-00231-F

This is in response to your November 29, 2016 FOIA request for documents related to (1) any Memorandum of Agreement, Memorandum of Understanding, Work for Others agreement or any other form of agreement or contract between any Germany entity, including the Forschung Zentrum Juelich (FZJ), and the Savannah River Site (SRS), Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) and/or Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL) during Fiscal Year 2016 and Fiscal Year 2017 concerning work and associated payment involving research and development of storage, reprocessing and disposal of SRS of German graphite spent fuel; and (2) any technical reports or feasibility studies delivered in Fiscal Year 2016 or Fiscal Year 2017 by SRNL or SRNS or any other contractor to DOE about technical aspects of storage, reprocessing and disposal of the German graphite fuel at SRS.

Your request was received in this office on December 6, 2016 and assigned control number SRO-2017-00231-F. Since we receive numerous requests each year, please use this number in any correspondence with the Department about your request.

We are searching for responsive documents, and we estimate 30 to 60 working days are needed to identify and produce the requested records that may exist in the Savannah River Site's files. 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) 925-8134 or pauline.conner@srs.gov.

Sincerely,

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