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In Reply Refer To:
U.S. Geological Survey
Attention: Freedom of Information Act Officer
5522 Research Park Drive
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September 28, 2016

Mr. Lee Fuller
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Association of America
1201 15th Street NW #300
Washington D.C. 20005

Transmitted by electronic mail

Re: U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Tracking #
USGS-2016-00167

Dear Mr. Fuller:

I am responding to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), dated May 25, 2016, in which you requested the following records:

1. All communications (including emails, letters or other correspondence, and any attachments thereto) and any other records shared between or among any current or former USGS personnel or contractor and EPA between September 2011 and the present, related in any way to the investigation of environmental conditions in Pavillion Field, Fremont County, Wyoming ("Pavillion Field").
2. All internal communications (including emails, letters, or other correspondence, and any attachments thereto) and any other records shared internally between or among any current or former USGS personnel or contractor, between September 2011 and the present, related in any way to Pavillion Field.

On August 24, 2016, we provided you with 61 pages of records that we previously released in their entirety to Greenpeace (USGS FOIA request 2014-00117). Additionally, we provided 876 pages of records, including two Microsoft Excel workbooks, that we previously released in their entirety to Mr. Michael Soraghan, EnergyWire/E&E Publishing (USGS FOIA request 2015-00141).

I have enclosed a CD containing one [7-zip](#) file that includes 399 electronic files (597 MB, 16,577 pages), which were previously released to Temkin, Wielga & Hardt LLP in USGS FOIA 2012-00150, in their entirety. As a result of this final release, we have released 17,514 pages of records to you, in their entirety.

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Sincerely,

Brian A. May
Freedom of Information Act Officer
FOIA Public Liaison

Enclosures (CD with 399 electronic files)