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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
ACT REQUEST

FOIA 92-446
Rec'd 9-4-92

Re: Request Under the Freedom of
Information Act 5 U.S.C. § 552

Dear Sir:

This firm, on behalf of Amax Inc., submitted a previous Freedom of Information Act request for final closeout modification, and all supporting documentation, for contract No. AT (11-1)-404 between the Carborundum Metals Company Inc. and the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission. This FOIA request incorporates and supersedes our previous FOIA request dated June 24, 1992.

Amax Specialties Metals Corp was the successor in interest to Carborundum Metals Co., Inc. on the above-referenced Contract No. AT (11-1)-404 dated April 30, 1956. On behalf of Amax, we hereby request copies of the following information and documents in your files pertaining to this Contract (the "Contract"):

1. The Contract, all modifications thereto, and all documents incorporated by reference therein;
2. Any and all records relating in any way to the Contract, including but not limited to documents which relate to the award, performance, final closeout modification and completion of the Contract;

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3. Any and all records relating to the decision made by or through the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission to acquire Zirconium and Hafnium metals from 1955 through 1966;
4. Any and all records pertaining to the use of Nigerian ore for the recovery and processing of Zirconium and/or Hafnium by Carborundum under the Contract or under another contract to be performed by Carborundum at a facility in Parkersburg, West Virginia including but not limited to records relating to any advice or recommendations provided by or on behalf of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission to Carborundum;
5. Any and all records relating to the process used by Carborundum in processing the Nigerian ore at the Parkersburg, West Virginia site including but not limited to records relating to any advice or recommendations provided by or on behalf of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission to Carborundum; and
6. Any and all records relating to the storage, treatment and disposal of the Nigerian ore and process residues used and generated at the Parkersburg, West Virginia facility, including but not limited to records relating to any advice or recommendations provided by or on behalf of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission for storage, treatment and disposal of such Nigerian ore and process residues.

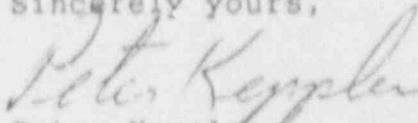
Popham, Haik agrees to pay all costs associated with responding to this request, in accordance with applicable agency regulations, up to a maximum amount of \$1,000. We also request that to the extent this request can be responded to in part or in portions that you do so. Popham, Haik also offers to assist in identifying and copying the relevant records, should the records in question be voluminous or staff unavailable in the near term.

In the event that you elect to withhold all or a part of any record from disclosure in response to this request, Popham, Haik requests that you identify the record or portion thereof being held, the nature of the materials or information being withheld, and the legal basis for that withholding. We further request that this information be provided in an indexed format as required by the Vaughn line of cases.

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We request the courtesy of the statutorily mandated response to the undersigned within ten (10) days after receiving this request.

Sincerely yours,


Peter Keppler

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