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SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request, FA-12-0008, Agreements #W911NF-07-01-0447 and #DAAH04-94-G-0267

Dear Mr. Mashey,

Reference your requests for information on the two agreements listed above. For agreements #W911NF-07-01-0447 and #DAAH04-94-G-0267, clearly releasable information includes the final technical reports, the basic contracts, and the original proposals, which are attached.

For agreement #WW911NF-07-01-0447, not released were cost and budgetary documents which we believe are exempt under FOIA Exemption 4.

Electronic mail between Dr. Wegman, the Principal Investigator, or George Mason University, was not found for either agreement. Regular mail and other documentation in our files address only the submitting of the proposals in accordance with our operating procedures. There is nothing in the files of either agreement pertaining to George Mason University reporting any accounts of plagiarism to ARO.

If you would like to appeal the withholding of the cost and budget items mentioned above, feel free to contact this office and we will forward your request (along with the documents at issue) to our Initial Denial Authority at the Army Research Laboratory (ARL) for a decision on releasability.

Costs are waived in accordance with DoD Directive 5500.7-R. If you have any questions, you may contact Ms. Marie Sander at the address above or at telephone (919) 549-4201.

Sincerely,

Edward E. Beauchamp
FOIA Officer
US Army Research Office

Enclosures