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Dear Mr. Hamer:

This is in response to your April 23, 2010, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the complete file pertaining to the University of California, Santa Barbara, dated from December 1, 2008 to the present. Your request was assigned on April 27, 2010, and assigned case number FOIA 10-411. We apologize for the delay of this response.

Agency employees conducted a search of their files and located five pages of responsive records. However, information has been withheld under FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). This exemption protects information from disclosure when its release would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. This same information has also been under FOIA Exemption 7(C), 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(C). This exemption protects from disclosure records or information collected for law enforcement purposes when its release could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Specifically, we have withheld third party names and telephone numbers.

Furthermore, we are withholding 21 pages of records that may be responsive to your request under FOIA Exemption 7(A), 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(A). This exemption protects from disclosure records compiled for law enforcement activities. Since Exemption 7(A) protects the records from disclosure, we have not determined if other exemptions apply. Therefore, we reserve the right to assert other exemptions when Exemption 7(A) no longer applies. Because the underlying circumstances may change, we may later disclose some of the exempt records. If you wish, you may request the records at a later date. Please reference case # CA09071 in your request.

For your information, inspection reports can be retrieved from our web site at:
<http://acissearch.aphis.usda.gov/LPASearch/faces/LPASearch.jspx>

You may appeal our partial denial of this information. However, if you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received at the following address within 45 calendar days from the date of this letter.

Administrator
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service,
Ag Box 3401
Washington, D.C. 20250-3401.



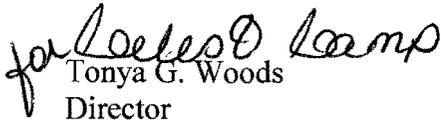
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Please refer to FOIA 10-411 in your appeal letter and add the words FOIA Appeal to the front of the envelope. To assist the Administrator in reviewing your appeal, please provide specific reasons why you believe modification of the determination is warranted.

Due to the delayed processing of your request, all fees have been waived. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Janice Shipman, of my staff at (301) 734-0490.

Sincerely,


Tonya G. Woods

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Enclosures