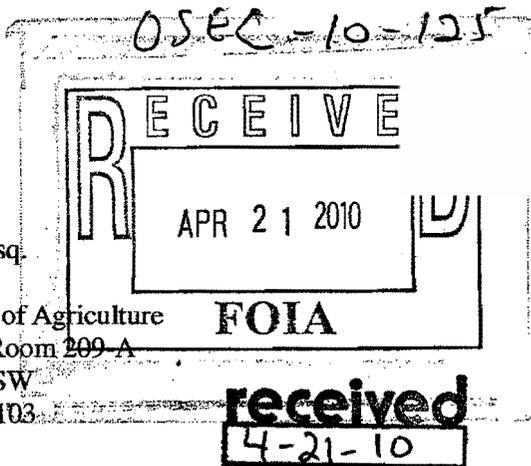


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Dear Ms. Wilkerson,

Merial Inc. currently holds licenses for the following products:

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USDA code	Product
2671.00	Leptospira Canicola – Icterohaemorrhagiae Bacterin
2691.00	Leptospira Pomona Bacterin
4089.00	Bovine Rhinotracheitis Vaccine – Leptospira Pomona Bacterin (Modified Live Virus)
4389.20	Bovine Rhinotracheitis – Virus Diarrhea Vaccine – Leptospira Pomona Bacterin (Modified Live Virus)
4465.20	Bovine Rhinotracheitis – Virus Diarrhea – Parainfluenza 3 – Respiratory Syncytial Virus Vaccine – Leptospira Canicola – Grippotyphosa – Hardjo – Icterohaemorrhagiae - Pomona Bacterin (Killed Virus)

— Please provide the Lot Release Protocols for the testing of these final products.

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Sincerely,

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