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Ms. Shalin G. Gala, Laboratory Methods Specialists
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People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals
501 Front Street
Norfolk, Virginia 23510

Dear Ms. Gala:

This is in response to your October 20, 2010, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for a copy of all agency records related in any way to research sites located in Camarillo, California, that are covered by the USDA facility registration for California Property Holdings III, L.L.C. (Cert # 93-R-0527). Your request was received in this office on October 20, 2010, and assigned case number FOIA 11-039.

Agency employees conducted a thorough search of their files and located the enclosed two pages consisting of annual reports that are responsive to your request. 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. Specifically, we have withheld the identity of third party names and their signatures. The same information has been withheld 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.

Please note that copies of inspection reports are now available on our Animal Care web site. To access all available APHIS inspection reports, please visit the APHIS homepage at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov> and click on **FOIA Reading Room** (a bullet item located in the light blue box on the right-hand portion of the screen). Then, click on **Lists of active licensed and registered facilities**, a bullet item located under a Frequently Requested Documents heading. Then, about halfway down that next page, click **Inspection Reports and License and Registration List**. There, you will be able to access a searchable database.

You may appeal our partial denial determination. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received within 45 days of the date of this letter to the following address:

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

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Please refer to FOIA 11-039 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.

Because the cost to process your request is less than \$25.00, the fee has been waived. Should you have questions, please contact Ms. Sophie Lau-Lopez of this staff at (301) 734-5360.

Sincerely,

for 
Tonya G. Woods

Director
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