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Freedom of
Information

Dear Ms. Marshall:

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Riverdale, MD
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This is in response to your February 16, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. You requested all agency records between February 15, 2010 and present relating in any way to Monalisa Laucomer, a private possessor of 33 primates in Russell, Kansas. You further sought investigations and inspection notes from Tracy Thompson and Investigator Raymond Williams visit on February 9, 2011 to Ms. Laucomer property. Your request was received in this office on February 16, 2011 and assigned case number FOIA 11-267.

Agency employees conducted a search of their files and enclosed on a CD-ROM are 71 pages of responsive records. However, information has been withheld under FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6). Exemption (b)(6) permit withholding of information which if released would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. This same information has also been withheld under FOIA Exemption 7(C), 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(C). This exemption protects from disclosure records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes when its release could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Specifically, we have withheld the owner's signature, social security number, personal email address, personal finance information, and third party individuals.

The Investigative and Enforcement Service office has advised that there are investigations pertaining to this licensee. Therefore, we have no records responsive to this portion of your request.

You may appeal our partial denial of information and/or no additional records 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. Please send to:

Administrator
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
Ag Box 3401
Washington, DC 20250-3401

If you choose to appeal, please refer to FOIA 11-267 in your appeal letter and add the words "FOIA Appeal" to the front of the envelope. To assist the Administrator in reviewing your appeal, provide specific reasons why you believe modification of the determination is warranted.



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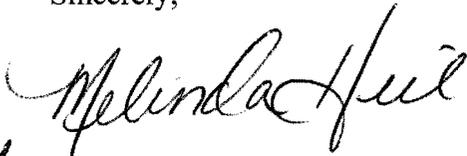
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Also contained on the CD-ROM is rp505enu.exe, which is a free copy of Adobe® Acrobat® Reader™ that is required to view the responsive records. By opening rp505enu.exe and following the on-screen instructions, you will install Adobe Reader. After installation, the Adobe Reader should render the PDF files correctly.

Because the cost to process your request is less than \$25.00, the fees have been waived. If you have any questions, please contact KeWanda McCain of my staff at (301) 734-4893.

Sincerely,



for Tonya G. Woods
Director
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