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Subject FOIA request concerning Carson and Barnes elephant Joy

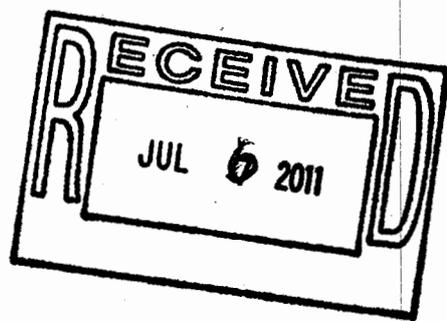
To whom it may concern:

This is to request, on behalf of In Defense of Animals (IDA) and pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, copies of any and all documentation regarding the Carson and Barnes Circus of Hugo, OK, License No. 73-C-0001 (Cust. ID 3954), specifically concerning the African elephant Joy, her death in 2010, and any investigation or inspection by APHIS subsequent to that death. We request a copy of the necropsy report provided to APHIS, if any. We request copies of all veterinary records relating to Joy, and specifically any and all records relating to the illness or condition that caused her death or led to her being euthanized. Also covered is any correspondence between APHIS personnel and employees or agents of the Carson and Barnes Circus concerning the death as well as notes describing any other communications concerning Joy. We further request any documentation concerning Joy's quarantine status or lack thereof during her time with Carson and Barnes Circus, including notes from any inspection relating to her presence with any other elephant(s).

IDA will pay any fees legally authorized in order to obtain this information. As a not-for-profit institution we request that the fees be reduced to the extent possible.

If appropriate in order to expedite the production of the materials requested we ask for this information in electronic form if available. Feel free to contact me should any additional information or clarification be required. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,
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