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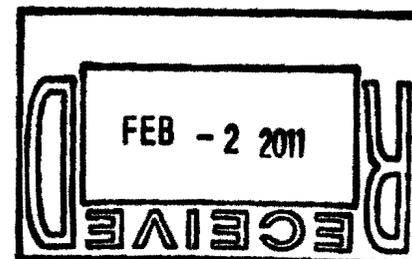
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February 2, 2011

VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL AND E-MAIL

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Re: **Freedom of Information Act Request**

Dear Ms. Woods:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552 et seq., and the Department of Agriculture's ("USDA") FOIA Reference Guide, I am hereby requesting all records¹ related to any FOIA request submitted by People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals ("PETA"), or any affiliated entity, regarding the inspection of Feld Entertainment, Inc. (AWA License 52-C-0137), dba Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey (Blue Unit), by Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Animal Care personnel at the United Center in Chicago, Illinois on November 18, 2010. This request specifically includes any FOIA request letter submitted by PETA, as well as any written response and documents provided by USDA in response thereto.

To the extent any requested records are exempted from release, please provide us with all non-exempt portions of any exempt records with an explanation of any redactions.

As the requestor, I agree to pay all reasonable fees and costs necessary to fulfill this request, provided that said fees and costs do not exceed \$50.00. In the event that fees and costs exceed this limit, please notify me expeditiously of the estimated cost before proceeding.

¹ For purposes of this request, the term "records" refers to, but is not limited to correspondence of any kind, memoranda, letters, notes, schedules, electronic mail, telephone logs, meeting minutes, work papers, reports, studies or data.

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Please send all available records to my attention at the contact information provided above. I look forward to receiving any reply within the 20-day time period required by law. If you have any questions or otherwise need to discuss this request, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Woods-

Attached is a letter requesting information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act. This letter also is being sent to you by first class mail.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the request. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

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