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*Sent via USPS and email to [Katy.E.Vagnoni@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:Katy.E.Vagnoni@aphis.usda.gov)*

Dear Ms. Vagnoni,

International, Inc. (USDA license number 188), a subsidiary of Colorado Serum Company, currently holds a license for the following product:

USDA code	Product
2641.00	Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae bacterin

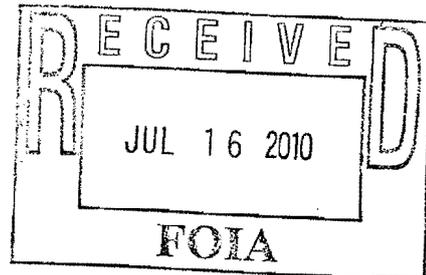
Please provide the Lot Release Protocol for the testing of this product.

PETA is entitled to a fee waiver because the release of the public records will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the agency's administration and because the release is not in the commercial interest of PETA, as defined by 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii). The legislative history of the public interest fee waiver standard "clearly indicates" that Congress intended to create a test that was to be "liberally construed," and was "consistently associated with requests from journalists, scholars, and *non profit interest groups* who it intended to benefit." *Ettlinger v. FBI*, 596 F.Supp. 867, 872 (D. Mass. 1984) (emphasis added).

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions by email at [JeffreyB@peta.org](mailto:JeffreyB@peta.org) or by phone at (310) 437-.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Brown  
Research Associate  
Regulatory Testing Division



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To <Katy.E.Vagnoni@aphis.usda.gov>  
cc  
bcc  
Subject RE: FOIA question

6 attachments

 Erysipelas FOIA Anchor FINAL.pdf  Erysipelas FOIA Arko FINAL.pdf  Erysipelas FOIA Ft Dodge FINAL.pdf  
 Erysipelas FOIA International Inc FINAL.pdf  Erysipelas FOIA Novartis FINAL.pdf  
 Erysipelas FOIA ProtaTek FINAL.pdf

Thanks very much. I'm attaching the current batch of six FOIA requests—for future requests, I'll use the information you provided.

Again, thanks very much! Some of my previous requests have gone to several people before reaching their destination. I'm very glad to have been pointed in your direction!

Best,

Jeff

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**From:** Katy.E.Vagnoni@aphis.usda.gov [mailto:Katy.E.Vagnoni@aphis.usda.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 15, 2010 3:27 PM  
**To:** Jeffrey Brown  
**Subject:** Re: FOIA question

You can send them to me, if you would like. I'll make sure they get to the right person. Generally, the FOIA requests are addressed to Tonya Woods the FOIA Director. You can fax them to the fax number below or mail it to the address below or e-mail it to [foia.officer@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:foia.officer@aphis.usda.gov). If FOIA requests are sent to our e-mail addresses they can sit for a while if we aren't at work - training or on leave. It probably would be a good idea to send it one

of the three ways - they are processed the same day.

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Subject FOIA question

Dr. Vagnoni,

I was recently advised by Joe Tangredi to email any future APHIS-related FOIA requests to you at this email address. I have several new requests to send, and I would like to confirm that delivering them to you via email is the appropriate action. Otherwise, I would be mailing the requests to your care at:

USDA / APHIS

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Washington, DC 20250

If any of this information is incorrect, please advise me on the most appropriate way to get these FOIA requests to you and to your office.

Many thanks!

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