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Terry Torrance

Dear Ms. Torrance:

This is in response to your March 8, 2011 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. You requested copies of all owner/shipper papers and health certifications for all horses shipped to slaughter by Mel Hoover of PA. Your request was received in this office on March 8, 2011, and assigned case number FOIA 11-310. We apologize for the delay of this response.

Agency employees conducted a thorough search of their files and did not locate any information responsive to your request.

You make appeal our no records determination. If you chose 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, DC 20250-3401

Please refer to FOIA 11-310 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 warranted.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kacie Edwards of my staff at (301) 734-5385.

Sincerely,

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Tonya Woods
Director
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