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August 15, 2011

Ms. Julie Caramante

Sent via email –

Dear Ms. Caramante:

This is in response to your June 13, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. You requested information regarding the job description, duties, how many employees and the annual salaries of the USDA Equine (horse slaughter) Transportation Program employees. Your request was received in this office on June 13, 2011, and assigned case number FOIA 11-573. We apologize for the delay of our response.

Human Resources and Veterinary Services employees conducted a thorough search of their files and located five pages of responsive records which are enclosed with this letter. These records are being released in their entirety, without redaction. In addition to the five pages of records, the Human Resources program office also informed this office that there is one employee on staff doing slaughter horse work. His annual salary is approximately \$67,391.

You make appeal our adequacy of search 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 11-573 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,

*for:* 

Tonya Woods  
Director  
Freedom of Information & Privacy Act  
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