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Service

Ms. Barbara Sachau

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Dear Ms. Sachau:

Freedom of
Information

This is the response to your December 30, 2009, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all available records pertaining to the Franklin County Starling incident, specifically agreements to conduct the work, aids, and contracts that resulted in take in 2009, and names, position descriptions and salaries of all Pittstown WS employees. Your request was received in this office on December 31, 2009, and assigned case number FOIA 10-165. We apologize for the delay of this response.

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Agency employees conducted a thorough search of their files and enclosed on a CD-ROM are 310 pages of responsive records that were located. However, information is being withheld under FOIA Exemption 4, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4). Exemption (b)(4) permits the withholding of commercial or financial information that was obtained from a person outside the government and that is privileged or confidential. The withholding of such information is permitted if disclosure is likely to cause substantial competitive harm to the person who submitted the information. Specifically, we withheld the bank account number.

Additionally, this information is being withheld under FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). This exemption protects information from disclosure when its release would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Specifically, we withheld personal information such as social security numbers, home addresses and information, which may identify third party individuals.

You may appeal our partial denial of this information. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received at the following office within 45 days of the date of this letter.

Administrator
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
Ag Box 3401
Washington, D.C. 20250-3401

Please refer to FOIA 10-165 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 is warranted.



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Also contained on the CD-ROM is rp505enu.exe, which is a free copy of Adobe® Acrobat® Reader™ that is required to view the responsive records. By opening rp505enu.exe and following the on-screen instructions, you will install Adobe Reader. After installation, the Adobe Reader should render the PDF files correctly.

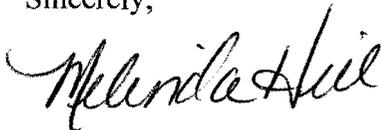
For your information, while reviewing our records three pages of documents were located that originated with the U.S. Coast Guard and four pages with the National Park Service. We have referred the documents to those offices for review and direct response to you.

U. S. Coast Guard
Commandant (CG-611)
Attn: FOIA Officer
2100 2nd Street, SW, Stop 7101
Washington, D.C. 20593-7101

William Line
National Park Service
1100 Ohio Drive, SW
Washington, D.C. 20242
Telephone: (202) 619-7177
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Due to the delayed processing of your request, all fees have been waived. Should you have questions, please contact Janice Shipman of my staff at (301) 734-0490.

Sincerely,



for Tonya G. Woods
Director
Freedom of Information & Privacy Act
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Enclosure

cc: US Coast Guard FOIA Office (4 pages)
National Park Service FOIA Office (3 pages)