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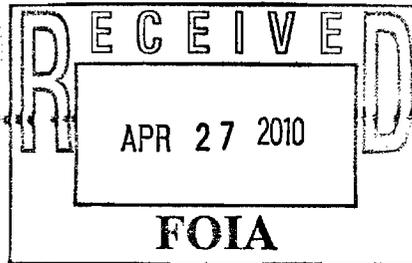
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Via E-Mail to: foia.officer@aphis.usda.gov
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Tonya Woods, FOIA/PA Officer
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
Director, Freedom of Information and Privacy Act Staff
4700 River Road, Unit 50
Riverdale, MD 20737



Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

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Dear Ms. Woods:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, I submit the following request relating to the University of California, Santa Barbara.

For purposes of this request, "UCSB" refers to the University of California, Santa Barbara in any capacity, including but not limited to the Animal Research Center, Institutional Official, Campus Veterinarian, IACUC Chair, IACUC members, IACUC Coordinator, Office of Research, and/or the Director of Research.

For purposes of this request, "USDA" refers to the United States Department of Agriculture in any capacity, including but not limited to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, and any other department, entity, division, person, and/or employee.

I am requesting the following:

1. The complete file maintained by USDA relating to UCSB, including but not limited to letters, notes, inspection reports, complaints, email, correspondence, notices, position statement and summaries, between USDA and UCSB from December 1, 2008 to the present.
2. All documents maintained by USDA regarding any investigation or potential investigation of UCSB for any purpose, at any time, including but not limited to animal care/health, veterinarians or veterinary care, animal use protocols, animal care and veterinary records.

To the extent your office believes that information from these documents needs to be redacted, please provide the redacted versions without delay, and an explanation for the redaction.

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To the extent that the documents can be provided electronically, that would be preferable. My email address is shamer@mrlp.com. If photocopies are necessary, please contact me before making them if you anticipate charges in excess of \$200.00. If charges are less than that, I will pay all reasonable charges associated with your response.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

 Spencer Hamer III

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