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Dear Ms.

This is in response to your January 1, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the finding of your complaint number W11-024. Your request was received in this office on January 3, 2011, and assigned case number FOIA 11-165.

The program office has advised that this complaint W11-024 is involved in an ongoing investigation, we can release only two-pages consisting of an application for license and certificate at this time. Information has been 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. The gross revenue of this facility and the owner's signature have been withheld pursuant to this exemption.

We are withholding the remaining records under FOIA Exemption 7 (A), 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(7)(A). This exemption protects from disclosure records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement activities. Moreover, we are unable to determine when the proceedings will be completed. However, you are welcome to submit a new request at a later date.

Please note that inspection reports are now available on the Animal Care website. To access all available APHIS inspection reports, please visit the APHIS homepage at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov> and click on **FOIA Reading Room** (a bullet item located in the light blue box on the right-hand portion of the screen). Then, click on **APHIS eFOIA Reading Room, Lists of active licensed and registered facilities**, a bullet item located under a Frequently Requested Documents heading. Then, about halfway down that next page, click **Inspection Reports and License and Registration List**. There, you will be able to access a searchable database.

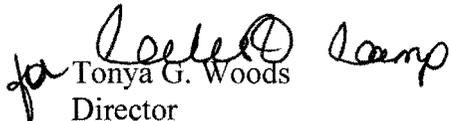
You may appeal our partial denial determination. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received within 45 days of the date of this letter to:

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

If you choose to appeal, please refer to FOIA 11-165 in your appeal letter and add the words "FOIA Appeal" to the front of the envelope. To assist the Administrator in reviewing your appeal, please provide specific reasons why you believe modification of the determination is warranted.

Because the cost to process your request is less than \$25.00, the fee has been waived. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Sophie Lau-Lopez of my staff at (301) 734-5360.

Sincerely,


Tonya G. Woods
Director
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