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Department of
Agriculture

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Animal and
Plant Health
Inspection
Service

Mr. Ryan Merkley

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Dear Mr. Merkley:

4700 River Road
Unit 50
Riverdale, MD
20737-1232

This is in response of your August 5, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for copies of all Investigative and Enforcement Services (IES) documents, including settlement agreements, 7060 forms, photographs, affidavits, mails and e-mails correspondence regarding the following research facilities during the period from October 1, 2007 to present:

- Brown University
- Dartmouth College
- Princeton University

Your request was received in this office on August 5, 2011, and assigned case number FOIA 11-713.

Agency employees conducted a thorough search of their files and located the enclosed two pages consisting of warning notice letter and official warning 7060 form that are responsive to Princeton University. However, in response to Brown University and Dartmouth College, the program office advised that they did not have any information indicating that any of the requested facilities ever had an IES case.

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. We have withheld third party names pursuant to these exemptions.

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

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Please refer to FOIA 11-713 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. Should you have questions, please contact Ms. Sophie Lau-Lopez of this staff at (301) 734-5360.

Sincerely,

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