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December 19, 2008,

Re: FOIA 09-365

Dear Ms. Benefield:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated December 17, 2008, which was received in this office on December 19, 2008, in which you requested copy of all videos shot at the Perry, Georgia Horse Show.

The records you seek are maintained outside of this Office and we have not yet been able to complete a search to determine whether there are records within the scope of your request. Additionally, all Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests are processed on a "first-in, first-out" basis, according to track. Due to the large number of FOIA requests our Agency has been receiving, we have a considerable backlog, and unfortunately a number of requests still remain in the queue. Accordingly, we will be unable to comply with the twenty-working-day time limit in this case, as well as the ten additional days provided by the statute. Please be advised; however, responding to all FOIA requests as promptly as possible is a high priority for our Agency.

We have not yet made a decision on your request for a fee waiver. We will do so after we determine whether fees will be assessed for this request.

I regret the necessity of this delay, but I assure you that your request will be processed as soon as possible. If you have any questions or wish to discuss reformulation or an alternative time frame for the processing of your request, you may contact me at (301) 734-0601.

Sincerely,

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