



United States
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Agriculture

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Animal and
Plant Health
Inspection
Service

Deidre Bruce

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Freedom of
Information

Dear Ms. Bruce:

4700 River Road
Unit 50
Riverdale, MD
20737-1232

This is in response to your May 12, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for copies of any and all reports and information pertaining to adverse events related to canine Lyme vaccine manufactured by Merial. Your request was received in this office on May 12, 2011, and assigned case number FOIA 11-486.

Agency employees conducted a thorough search of their files and located 165 pages of documents responsive to your request, which are on the enclosed CD-ROM. However, 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. Specifically, we have withheld third party's names and their addresses pursuant to this exemption.

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, DC 20250-3401

If you choose to appeal, please refer to FOIA 11-486 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.

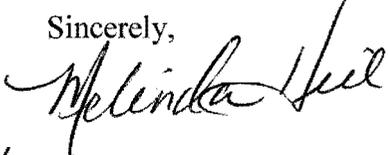
Also contained on the CD-ROM are copies of your FOIA request and Adobe® Acrobat® Reader™, which is needed to view the responsive records. By opening rp505enu.exe and following the on-screen instructions, you will install Adobe Reader. After the installation, the Adobe Reader should render the PDF files correctly.

Ms. Deidre A. Bruce
FOIA 11-486

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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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Enclosure