



United States
Department of
Agriculture

Terry Torrance

August 1, 2011

Animal and
Plant Health
Inspection
Service

Dear Ms. Torrance:

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This is in response to your FOIA request number 11-620 received by our office on July 5, 2011. You asked for copies all paper work, owner /shipper, photos, exhibits submitted as evidence by USDA in case against violator in IES cases TX05061 and TX05137 violator Gary Morris. Also documents for any other Transport to Slaughter Equines by Gary Morris.

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Information

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On July 14, 2011, Ms. Deborah Leilich of my staff informed you that the two investigations pertaining to your request were past records retention and had been destroyed. Ms. Leilich inquired if you were interested in any other transport to slaughter records regarding Gary Morris, you indicated you were interested.

Agency employees conducted a thorough search of Veterinary Services files and have advised the FOIA office that no records regarding Gary Morris of Texas. Therefore, we have no records responsive to this request.

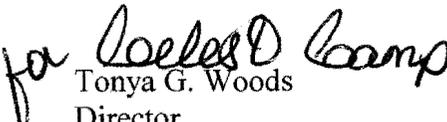
You may appeal our no records determination. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received within 45 days of the date of this letter to:

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

Please refer to FOIA 11-620 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 initial decision 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. Deborah L. Leilich of my staff at (301) 734-3623.

Sincerely,


Tonya G. Woods

Director
Freedom of Information & Privacy Act
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