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John Chambers
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RE: 2018-FSIS-00278-F
Noncompliance Reports

Dear Mr. Chambers:

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated April 17, 2018, to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). You requested access to a copy of all noncompliance reports (NRs) stored in PHIS. We received your request in our Office on April 17, 2018.

During our teleconference meeting on August 23, 2019, you amended your request to include all noncompliance reports without descriptions in PHIS.

The FSIS FOIA staff works with subject matter experts across the agency to locate responsive documents. For this request, we conducted a records search in the Office of Planning, Analysis, and Risk Management (OPARM). FSIS' search began on April 17, 2018. Our search includes responsive records in FSIS' control on that date.

We have located nine Excel spreadsheets of responsive records pertaining to your request. After a thorough review of the responsive records, we are releasing these records in their entirety. Accordingly, this request is granted in full.

Please be advised that your FOIA request, including your identity and the information made available, is releasable to the public under any subsequent FOIA requests. However, FSIS does not release your personal privacy information, such as home addresses, telephone numbers, or Social Security Numbers, all of which are protected from disclosure under FOIA Exemption 6.

If you have any questions about the way this request was handled, please contact April Harrid at 202-720-8215 or via email at

April.Harrid@usda.gov. If you have general questions about FSIS' FOIA procedures or regulations, please contact me at 202-690-2760 or via email at Arianne.Perkins@usda.gov.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Thank you for your interest in FSIS programs and policies.

Sincerely,

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