

## **United States Department of Agriculture**

Food Safety and Inspection Service May 24, 2019

1400 Independence Avenue, SW. Washington, D.C.

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Via FedEx only

Lisa Vontalge Service Operations Representative FDAzilla

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RE: FOIA-2019-00252 Copy of 18-10; 18-146; 18-312; 18-418

Dear Ms. Vontalge:

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated March 25, 2019, to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). You requested access to a copy of records regarding 2018-FSIS-00010-F; 2018-FSIS-00146-F; 2018-FSIS-00312-F; and 2018-FSIS-00418-F. We received your request in our Office on March 26, 2019.

We have located 1,216 pages and two excel spreadsheets that are responsive to your request. After a thorough review, we have determined that these documents may be released in their entirety. Accordingly, this request is granted in full.

You may appeal this determination within 90 days from the date of this letter. Your appeal should include copies of your original request and this response, as well as a discussion of the reasons supporting your appeal. The envelope should be plainly marked to indicate that it contains a FOIA appeal. If you decide to appeal this determination, please send your appeal to:

Carmen Rottenberg
Administrator
Department of Agriculture
Food Safety and Inspection Service
1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Room 1170, South Building
Washington, D.C. 20250-3700

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 Tony Trenkle at 202-720-2110 or via email at Anthony. Trenkle@usda.gov. If you have general questions about FSIS' FOIA procedures or regulations, please contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Arianne Perkins, 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,

Arianne M. Perkins Director, Freedom of Information Act Staff Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Education Food Safety and Inspection Service

Enclosure: Responsive Records (1,216 pages) Excel Spreadsheets (2 documents)