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USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service  
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Sent via email: [AMS.FOIA@usda.gov](mailto:AMS.FOIA@usda.gov)

**FOIA REQUEST**

**Fee benefit requested**

**Fee waiver requested**

Dear Ms. Helmold:

Pursuant to the Federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I am requesting information related to all NOP enforcement actions **since the beginning of fiscal year 2013**.

This includes the names of certificate holders targeted for enforcement actions, the nature of the violations in question, the total fines levied per enforcement action, and a list of all suspended and revoked certificates.

Summary documentation will suffice if this request is met within 20 working days. If the request is delayed, more detailed documentation covering all correspondence related to these enforcement actions will be required.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the Act. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

I look forward to your reply within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Please send materials to the following address:

The Cornucopia Institute  
P.O. Box 126  
Cornucopia, WI  
54827

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jason Cole". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and a distinct 'C'.

Jason Cole  
Research Associate  
The Cornucopia Institute