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**FOIA REQUEST**  
**Fee waiver requested**

Dear Mr. Bridges:

Pursuant to the Federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I am requesting all applications submitted for the vacancies open on the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB) as announced on April 4, 2016 by the USDA.

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

Please send materials to the following address:

The Cornucopia Institute  
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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 long, sweeping underline.

Jason Cole  
Research Associate  
The Cornucopia Institute