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Administrator
Agricultural Marketing Service
U.S. Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Stop 0201, Room 3071, South Building
Washington, D.C. 20250-0201

Sent via email: AMS.FOIA@usda.gov

FOIA REQUEST

Fee benefit requested

Fee waiver requested

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the Federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I am requesting information regarding USDA's communications with "Daniel Lehenbauer" and/or "Harry Lehenbauer" and/or "Diamond D Organics."

Specifically, I am requesting copies of all internal or external correspondence, communications and other documents between the USDA and any outside individual or entity regarding this operation (covering the tenure of the Obama administration). Such communications include but are not limited to calendars, letters, emails, meeting and phone conference notes, phone logs and other forms of correspondence, also including personal cell phones or cell phones utilized by staff or appointees for USDA business whereby those cell phones are owned by individuals or entities other than the USDA. Please include all such materials in the offices of Miles McEvoy, Deputy Administrator of the National Organic Program, the AMS Administrators in the Under Sec. of Agriculture over AMS (various political appointees within the timeframe requested).

As I am making this request as a policy researcher for a not-for-profit public interest and research organization, please waive any applicable fees. Also, I would appreciate your

communicating with me by telephone or e-mail, rather than by the United States Postal Service, if you have questions regarding this request.

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 long, thin tail on the 'e'.

Jason Cole
Research Associate
The Cornucopia Institute