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Sent via email: ams.foia@usda.gov

FOIA REQUEST

Fee benefit requested

Fee waiver requested

Dear Ms. Emmer-Scott,

The National Organic Program recently sent several notices to The Cornucopia Institute, in response to complaints we filed, informing us that the cases have been closed. While these letters explained that the investigations have been concluded and a cursory description of the results, they do not provide any specifics concerning documented violations that occurred, nor the nature of the enforcement actions that took place, such as the size of a civil penalty or remedial action.

We request the release of all records pertaining to the following investigations:

Shamrock Farms Dairy, NOPC-003-09.

The USDA sent their letter to inform us that the case was closed on December 6, 2011.

Oskri Organics, NOPC-097-10.

The USDA sent their letter to inform us that the case was closed on November 29, 2011.

JAV Food Corp. dba Agata & Valentina, NOPC-160-09.

The USDA sent their letter to inform us that the case was closed on December 16, 2011.

As I am making this request as a policy researcher for a not-for-profit public interest

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.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Will Fantle".

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