From: McHugh, Jessica C on behalf of WASO FOIA Requests, NPS
To: 51869-83128330@requests.muckrock.com
Cc: McHugh, Jessica C
Subject: FOIA-NPS-2018-00604 NPS Aramark Corporation (Tobias)
Date: Thursday, May 3, 2018 10:26:44 AM

Mr. Tobias,

This letter is in response to your FOIA request, NPS-2018-00604, dated March 28, 2018.

Your request is granted in full. During a search of our files we located 11 responsive records, containing a total of 2,447 pages of responsive material. These files have been been uploaded to link provided in your initial request:https://www.muckrock.com/accounts/agency_login/national-park-service-70/nps-aramark-corporation-51869/?email=npsfoia%40nps.gov&uuid-login=039bf06a-f07b-40ee-9925-75302930667c#agency-reply

We have classified you as a representative of the news media. As such, we may charge you for some of our duplication costs, but we will not charge you for our search or review costs; you also are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.39. If, after taking into consideration your fee category entitlements, our processing costs are less than $50.00. Therefore, there is no billable fee for the processing of he this request. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.37(g)

I trust that this information fully satisfies your request. Please do not hesitate to contact me, as the NPS FOIA Liaison and the person responsible for processing your request, if you have any questions regarding your request.

In addition, as part of the 2007 OPEN Government Act FOIA amendments, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)
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Room 2510
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E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Phone:301-837-1996
Fax:301-837-0348
Toll-free:1-877-684-6448

Note, because the National Park Service creates and maintains law enforcement records, we are required by the Department of Justice to provide the following information, even though it may or may not apply to your specific request. Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that we are required to give all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

Sincerely,

Jessica McHugh
WASO FOIA Liaison
202-354-1449
waso_foia_requests@nps.gov

On Thu, Apr 5, 2018 at 10:57 AM, FOIA, NPS <npsfoia@nps.gov> wrote:

> Hi Jessica,
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> Routing this one to you for processing. Kurt Rausch's business services group would be the ones most likely to have the records.
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> Ms. Charis Wilson, PhD, CRM
> NPS FOIA Officer
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> Denver, CO 80225-0287
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> From: <51869-83128330@requests.muckrock.com>
> Date: Wed, Mar 28, 2018 at 11:54 AM
> Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Freedom of Information Act Request: NPS Aramark Corporation
> To: npsfoia@nps.gov

National Park Service
FOIA Office
P.O. Box 25287
12795 West Alameda Parkway
Denver, CO 80225

March 28, 2018

This is a follow up to a previous request:

Hello,

Thank you for writing. To clarify I seek copies of contracts that have been awarded to Aramark during the period of January 1, 2018 to the present as well as copies of contracts with Aramark that are currently in effect
during FY 2018. Thank you again.

Jimmy Tobias
248-763-0088

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On March 28, 2018:
Mr. Tobias,

In accordance with 43 CFR 2.5(a), a requester must describe the records in sufficient detail to enable an employee familiar with the subject area of the request to locate responsive records with a reasonable amount of effort. Your request does not meet this requirement. Because of the nature of your request, we are unable to determine exactly what records you are requesting. It is not clear what you mean when you say want contracts

for 2018. Are you seeking copies of contracts that have been awarded to Aramark during the period of January 1, 2018 to the present? Are you seeking copies of contracts with Aramark that are currently in effect during FY 2018?

Please be as specific as possible concerning the type of documents you are requesting. If you know, please include the date, title or name, author, recipient, and subject matter of the records you are seeking. Additionally, please identify the geographical location and timeframe for which you are seeking records. It is unclear whether your request covers only records in the bureau's headquarters or in its field offices as well.

We will be unable to proceed further with your request until we receive additional clarification from you. In accordance with our regulations (43 CFR 2.51), if we do not hear from you within 20 workdays of the date of this letter, we will assume you are no longer interested in this matter and will close the file on your request

Sincerely,

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On March 28, 2018:
To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

Copies of all National Park Service contracts with the Aramark Corporation for Fiscal Year 2018.

I am a reporter with Pacific Standard magazine, and the requested documents will be made available to the general public. This request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

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