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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Centers for Disease Control
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Atlanta GA 30333

March 14, 2022

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Dear Mr. Largen:

This is in response to your March 10, 2022, e-mail, concerning your Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request #22-00731-FOIA.

A search is currently being conducted by program staff for the documents you requested. When the search is completed, a thorough document review will be conducted by the CDC FOIA staff, and all releasable records will be provided. As we advised in our acknowledgement letter, CDC processes all FOIA requests on a first-in, first-out basis, which is the court-approved method for agencies operating under a backlog. We are unable to give you an exact timeframe for completion of your request. Please be assured, however, that a response will be sent to you as quickly as possible.

You may check on the status of your case by going to our FOIA webpage at <https://foia.cdc.gov> and entering your request number. The fiscal year is the first two numbers and the request ID is the second set of numbers. If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact me at 404-498-2501.

Sincerely,

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