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Dear Mr. Cheavens:

This e-mail acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) appeal dated October 23, 2015, which was received in the Washington Office (WO) FOIA Service Center, Office of Regulatory and Management Services on October 26, 2015. You are appealing the final response in 2015-FS-R2-04074-F.

Please note that in accordance with Title 7 CFR, Subtitle A, 1.14 appeals, our final appeal response may require review by the USDA Office of General Counsel (OGC) for legal sufficiency. Once OGC has completed their review, our final determination will be provided to you. In addition, the WO FOIA Service Center has a backlog of pending FOIA requests and appeals. We are diligently working to process each requests and appeal in the order in which it was received. Your patience is greatly appreciated.

To check on the status of your request, you may contact Elizabeth Marchak via email at emarchak@fs.fed.us. Please reference your assigned case number, 2016-FS-WO-00015-A. Thank you,

Raynell D. Lazier Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Officer

Exhibit 7