

Good afternoon Mr. Tobias,

Our FOIA office received your FOIA request, dated July 12, 2018. We have assigned it control number 2018-01066. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

In your request you asked for the following:

"Any and all written or electronic communications, including attachments, sent or received by Kathleen Benedetto, or her executive staff, and any agent, representative or executive of the advocacy group Protect the Harvest (<http://protecttheharvest.com/>). This request includes any and all communications between Benedetto, or her executive assistants, and any email address that ends in "@protecttheharvest.com". This request includes any and all communications between Benedetto, or his executive assistants, and Brian Klippenstein. This request seeks records produced between March 1, 2017 and the date this request is processed."

We have classified you as a an "other-use" requester. As such, we may charge you for some of our search and duplication costs, but we will not charge you for our review costs; you are also entitled to up to 2 hours of search time and 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, we will not bill you because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.49(a)(1).

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This request falls into the \*Normal\* track.

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