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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing under the FOI/PA to request any and all information regarding your Department's dealings with and about former Vice President Al Gore and his office and/or representatives since January 1, 1996, to the present. This request includes but is not limited to: a) any and all documents, email, correspondence, notes, memos referring to relating to or evidencing any and all correspondence and/or communication (either written, electronic or telephonic) between Gore and the Agriculture Department; b) any and all documents, email, correspondence, notes, memos referring or relating to or evidencing meetings between Gore/his office and the Department; c) any and all documents, email, correspondence, notes, memos referring to Gore/his office in any way.

I am additionally requesting under FOI/PA any and all information about the above entities and/or topics provided to other organizations under FOI/PA previously or concurrently to this request, including copies of the requests themselves. I also ask that you not block out the names of individuals or corporate or government entities or officials mentioned in the above material, as it would by nature relate to taxpayer-financed government action sought or inquired about by the elected government officials and thus merit treatment as public information.

As a member of the legitimate news media, I am requesting a fee waiver. If this is denied, I will pay reasonable costs, but please contact me at the below phone numbers if fees mount up over \$100. Please provide any and all information as it is located instead of waiting whatever length of time is needed to complete a comprehensive search.

Please contact me, Tim Burger, at w-202-467-6670 or cell-202-236-1931 when items are ready or with any questions. My mailing address is at the bottom of this page.

Sincerely,

TIM BURGER

Washington Correspondent,

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