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Riverdale, MD  
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This is in response to your April 1, 2006 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests for copies of all owner/shipper papers of horses transported to slaughter by or for Ricketts Horse Co. of Tuscola, Illinois. Your requests were received in this office on April 3, 2006 and assigned case number FOIA 06-503. I apologize for the delay of this request.

Agency employees have conducted a search of their files and located the enclosed two pages of responsive records. However, information that is personal in nature has been withheld pursuant to Exemption 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). This exemption protects information from disclosure when its release would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

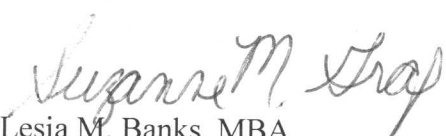
You may appeal our denial of this information. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be sent within 45 days of the date of this letter to:

Administrator  
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service  
Ag Box 3401  
Washington, DC 20250-3401

Please refer to FOIA request numbers 06-523 and 06-524 in your appeal letter and add the words "FOIA Appeal" to the front of the envelope. To assist the Administrator in reviewing your appeal, provide specific reasons why you believe modification of the determination is warranted.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Reet Kaseoru of my staff at (301) 734-7251.

Sincerely,

  
for Lesia M. Banks, MBA  
Director  
Freedom of Information & Privacy Act Staff  
Legislative and Public Affairs

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**Slaughter Horse Certificate Report Results**

**Load Date and Time:** Mon, 18 Mar 2002, 0:00 AM  
**Vehicle License No:** (b)(6)  
**Auction/Market name:** Arthur Livestock Auction  
**Origin City:** Arthur  
**Origin State:** IL  
**Driver's Lastname:**  
**Driver's Firstname:**

**Owner/Shipper Address:**  
 Ricketts Horse  
 Co Ricketts Horse Co  
 108 Harvestore Drive  
 De Kalb, IL 60115  
**Destination Address:**  
 Unknown Unknown  
 108 Harvestore Drive  
 De Kalb, IL 60115  
 815-756-8051

**Slaughter Facility:** Cavel International Inc

Tag Prefix	Back Tag Number	Breed/Type	Color	Sex	Brands	Remarks
USAA	8163	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare		
USAA	8164	TB - Throughbred	Other	Mare		
USAA	8165	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		
USAA	8166	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		
USAA	8167	TB - Throughbred	Other	Gelding		
USAA	8168	TB - Throughbred	Other	Gelding		
USAA	8169	TB - Throughbred	Other	Mare		
USAA	8170	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		
USAA	8171	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		
USAA	8172	TB - Throughbred	Other	Gelding		
USAA	8173	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		
USAA	8174	D - Draft	Other	Mare		
USAA	8175	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		

**Load Date and Time:** Mon, 18 Feb 2002, 0:00 AM  
**Vehicle License No:** (b)(6)  
**Auction/Market name:** Arthur Livestock Auction  
**Origin City:** Arthur  
**Origin State:** IL  
**Driver's Lastname:**  
**Driver's Firstname:**

**Owner/Shipper Address:**  
 Ricketts Horse  
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 108 Harvestore Drive  
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**Slaughter Facility:** Cavel International Inc

Tag Prefix	Back Tag Number	Breed/Type	Color	Sex	Brands	Remarks
USAA	8064	TB - Throughbred	Other	Gelding		RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAF	1251	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare		
USAA	8063	TB - Throughbred	Other	Mare		RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8062	TB - Throughbred	Other	Gelding		RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8061	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8060	TB - Throughbred	Other	Mare		RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8059	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare		RECEIVED 02-18-02

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USAA	8058	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8057	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8056	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Stallion	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8055	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8254	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8053	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8052	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8051	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8250	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8249	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding	RECEIVED 02-18-02
USAA	8248	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare	
USAA	8247	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding	
USAA	8246	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding	
USAA	8245	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding	
USAA	8244	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding	
USAA	8243	TB - Thoroughbred	Other	Mare	
USAA	8242	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare	

**Load Date and Time:** Mon, 4 Mar 2002, 0:00 AM

**Origin City:** Springfield

**Origin State:** IL

**Vehicle License No:** (b)(6)

**Driver's Lastname:**

**Driver's Firstname:**

**Auction/Market name:** Unknown

**Owner/Shipper Address:**  
Ricketts Horse Co  
Ricketts Horse Co  
108 Harvestore Drive  
De Kalb, IL 60115

**Destination Address:**  
Unknown Unknown  
108 Harvestore Drive  
De Kalb, IL 60115  
815-756-8051

**Slaughter Facility:** Cavell International Inc

Tag Prefix	Back Tag Number	Breed/Type	Color	Sex	Brands	Remarks
USAA	8162	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		RECEIVED 03-04-02
USAA	8155	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Mare		RECEIVED 03-04-02
USAA	8153	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		RECEIVED 03-04-02
USAA	8154	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		RECEIVED 03-04-02
USAA	8152	QH - Quarter Horse	Other	Gelding		RECEIVED 03-04-02
USAA	8160	TB - Thoroughbred	Other	Gelding		RECEIVED 03-04-02

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