



Rural Development

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Re: FOIA Case No. 2016-RD-03848-F

Dear Mr. Gillespie:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the US Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Development (RD), which arrived in our office on May 12, 2016. It has been assigned FOIA Case Number 2016-RD-03848-F.

Your request is being reviewed to determine whether RD is in possession of any documents that are responsive to your request. Once that determination has been made, you will be notified of any costs/fees which may be associated with processing this request.

Please know that we will make all reasonable efforts to process your request as soon as possible; however, FOIA requests are handled on a first in, first out basis. Additionally, we will have to coordinate with other activities to provide you with a comprehensive response and this coordination can sometimes be lengthy. Be assured, we will respond to your request at our earliest opportunity.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at (202) 690-5523, or via e-mail at Dupe.Sole@wdc.usda.gov. Please reference the case number listed above in any of your communications with our office.

Sincerely,

Dupe Sole
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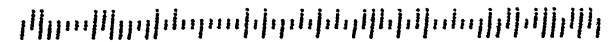
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RE: FOIA for Sumter Electric Cooperative, Inc., d.b.a. SECO Energy
CORPORATE OFFICE, 330 U.S. 301, Sumterville, Florida 33585

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Dear FOIA/Privacy Act/Torts Unit,

My photo ID is attached. Time is of the Essence. Provide RUS records for Sumter Electric Cooperative, Inc./SECO Energy showing:

1. Provide in PDF format the current Bylaws for Sumter Electric Cooperative, Inc.
2. Provide in PDF format Sumter Electric's annual year-end financial statements for the past three years.
3. Provide in PDF format evidence of Sumter Electric's tax-free status.
4. Provide in PDF format records showing Sumter Electric Cooperative, Inc. is the recipient of Federal financial assistance from the Rural Utilities Service (RUS).

Your response to No. 4 need not be exhaustive at this time. A couple pages will suffice so long as the ultimate amounts received are shown. Time is of the essence. Provide records as they become available. Do not wait to provide all records at one time if that will mean a delay.

Thank you in advance for the courtesy of a response.

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