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Re: FEMA 2014-FEFO-00661

Dear Mr. Lowery:

This acknowledges receipt of your May 7, 2014 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Your request was received in this office on May 7, 2014. You are seeking records regarding all ammunition purchases, regardless of caliber and intended use, including any and all training, defensive, and crowd control purposes for fiscal years 2013, 2014 and plan for fiscal years 2015 and 2016. You specifically requested the following information:

- A) All documents, requests similar in nature to DHS Solicitation # HSFLAR-13-Q-00020.
- B) All previous ammunition purchase requests for 2013, current contracts for 2014, 2015 and 2016.

Due to the increasing number of FOIA requests received by this office, we may encounter some delay in processing your request. Per Section 5.5(a) of the DHS FOIA regulations, 6 C.F.R. Part 5, the Department processes FOIA requests according to their order of receipt. Although FEMA's goal is to respond within 20 business days of receipt of your request, the FOIA does permit a 10-day extension of this time period. As your request seeks numerous documents that will necessitate a thorough and wide-ranging search, DHS/FEMA will invoke a 10-day extension for your request, as allowed by Title 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B). If you care to narrow the scope of your request, please contact our office. We will make every effort to comply with your request in a timely manner; however, there are currently 722 open requests ahead of yours.

Provisions of the Act allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. We shall charge you for records in accordance with the DHS Interim FOIA regulations as they apply to commercial requestors; i.e., you will be charged 10-cents per page for duplication and for search and review time at the per quarter-hour rate (\$4.00, \$7.00, \$10.25) of the searcher and reviewer. You stated in your request that you are willing to pay assessable fees up to \$200.00. You will be contacted before any additional fees are accrued.

More information concerning the FOIA and implementing DHS regulations is available on-line at:
www.dhs.gov/xfoia/editorial_0318.shtm.

We have queried the appropriate program offices of FEMA for responsive records. If any responsive records are located, they will be reviewed for determination of releasability. Please be assured that one of the FOIA Specialist in our office will respond to your request expeditiously as possible. We appreciate your patience as we proceed with your request.

Your request has been assigned reference number **FEMA 2014-FEFO-00661**. Please refer to this identifier in any future correspondence. Should you have questions or concerns regarding your request please contact FOIA Team Lead, Monique R. Booker-Kasper at (202) 258-8160 or electronically at Disclosure-Unit-TeamA@fema.dhs.gov.

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