

Index of Non-Releasable Records
FOIA Request Number: HQ-RIN-00314-09

1. Date: Not Dated
 Item: Presentation Slides
 No. Pages: 15
 Author: N/A
 Addressee: ORD Division Directors
 Description: PowerPoint presentation by Lek Kadeli. Transforming ORD:
 Confronting Today's Reality and Building a Successful Future

2. Date: November 6, 2008
 Item: Presentation Slides
 No. Pages: Six
 Author: Lawrence Reiter, Ph.D.
 Addressee: ORD Division Directors
 Description: PowerPoint presentation by Lawrence Reiter: Integrated Multi-
 Disciplinary Research – It's ORD's Future

3. Date: Note Dated
 Item: Presentation Slides
 No. Pages: 17
 Author: N/A
 Addressee: ORD Division Directors
 Description: PowerPoint presentation: Integrated Multidisciplinary Research

4. Date: November 6, 2008
 Item: Presentation Slides
 No. Pages: 40
 Author: N/A
 Addressee: ORD Division Directors
 Description: PowerPoint presentation: Developing an Integrated, Multidisciplinary
 Research Program. Perspectives: The ESRP experience.



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Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request Number HQ-RIN-00314-09

Dear Mr. Ruch:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request dated November 25, 2008. You requested the following:

All documents from the Office of Research & Development (ORD) Division Directors Meeting that took place in Washington, DC Wednesday, November 5 through Friday, November 7, 2008. Specifically:

1. Agendas
2. List of Attendees
3. PowerPoint presentations
4. Handouts


Our search revealed that the ORD's Division Directors Meeting was held on November 6, 2008. The first two items (Agenda and List of Attendees) and the fourth item (Handouts) are being provided as responsive to your request. We have determined that the third item (PowerPoint presentations) involve internal decision processes and are exempt from mandatory disclosure pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 522(b), Exemption 5: Privileged Inter-Agency or Intra-Agency Records, Deliberative Process Privilege. The withheld documents are described in the enclosed Index of Non-Releasable Records.

You may appeal this response to the National Freedom of Information Officer, U.S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only), FAX: (202) 566-2147, Email: hq.foia@epa.gov. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 6416J, Washington,

DC 20001. Your appeal must be made in writing and it must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit. The appeal letter should include the RIN number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions concerning this response, please contact Christiane Routt at 202-564-6801.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Battaglia". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Amy Battaglia
Acting Director, Office of Resources
Management and Administration

Enclosures