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This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated August 14, 2014, concerning the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center (USMARC), Agricultural Research Service (ARS), U.S. Department of Agriculture. Your request was received on August 14 and assigned FOIA No. 2014-REE-04946-F.

Specifically, you requested:

a copy of the following document cited in recent experiment protocols approved by the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center: "USMARC Animal Care Guidelines."

The USMARC follows the Federation of Animal Science Societies (FASS) "Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching." The "USMARC Animal Care Guidelines" and the Federation of Animal Science Societies (FASS) "Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching" are one in the same. The FASS guidelines can be found at: [http://www.fass.org/docs/agguide3rd/Ag\\_Guide\\_3rd\\_ed.pdf](http://www.fass.org/docs/agguide3rd/Ag_Guide_3rd_ed.pdf).

If you have any questions about your request, please contact this office at 301-504-1655 or [stasia.hutchison@ars.usda.gov](mailto:stasia.hutchison@ars.usda.gov).

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