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U.S. Department of Energy
Attention: FOIA Request
FOIA Officer
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Washington, DC 20585

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Re: **Freedom of Information Act Request**

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is a request for documents pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act and your agency's implementing regulations. Senator Tom Coburn published a report in August, 2008 entitled: "Missing in Action: AWOL in the Federal Government." The report lists data from 2001 through 2007 for the following departments and agencies: Department of Agriculture, Department of Commerce, Department of Defense, Department of Education, Department of Energy, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of the Interior, Department of Justice, Department of Labor, Department of Transportation, Department of the Treasury, Department of Department of Veterans Affairs, Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Personnel Management, U.S. Agency for International Development, and the U.S. Postal Service. The report stated that these federal departments and agencies had submitted data concerning AWOL statistics among their employees in response to a request. I am requesting copies of all data your agency provided to Senator Coburn, his staff or any other federal office in response to such a request concerning leave usage and absenteeism at your agency. These documents are believed to be publicly available. Your agency is believed to have custody of these documents, but if it does not I would request prompt notice of their current location.

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In compliance with applicable regulations, I promise to pay reasonable charges incurred for search and copying costs. Please inform me if the cost will exceed $200.00. Please send me your invoice along with the copies which I have requested. I look forward to your response within ten days.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mark D. Roth
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