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FOIA Request**Dear Ms. Krug,**

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, I request access to and copies of documentation about the present status of the bluefin tuna in the Atlantic Northeast. Include the number of annual permits issued to commercial and sport fishing vessels as well as projected permits for the next three years. I also request documents pertaining to the overall numbers of bluefin in the Atlantic Northeast. Please include the number of bluefins harvested in the past three years. Include any e-mail correspondence that is relevant to this issue.

Please waive any applicable fees for I am college student. The information that I am requesting has an educational purpose, and it will significantly contribute to my understanding of commercial and environmental activities.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I request that all deletions be justified by reference to specific exemptions of the FOIA. I will also expect you to release all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. I reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold information or to deny a fee waiver.

I would appreciate if you communicate with me by telephone rather than by mail if you have questions regarding the request for information. I look forward to your response within 20 business day (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays), as the statute requires.

Thank you for your assistance

Amy Crusberg



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