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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Mr. Jeff Ruch
Executive Director, Public Employees
for Environmental Responsibility
2000 P Street, NW, Suite 240
Washington, DC 20036

Dear Mr. Ruch:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request dated November 9, 2006, concerning the book *Grand Canyon: A Different View*.

The FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §552, generally provides that the Government shall make documents available to the public for inspection and copying to the widest extent possible. The FOIA does not require that new records be created in response to a request and only applies to records in existence at the time of the request.

We have searched our files in headquarters for records from the period July 23, 2004, to the present, and did not locate any documents responsive to your request.

You may appeal this denial by writing to the Freedom of Information Act Appeals Officer, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-6556, MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. Your appeal must be in writing and received no later than 30 workdays after the date of this letter (Saturday, Sunday, and public holidays excepted). A copy of your original request and this letter should accompany the appeal as well as a brief statement of the reasons why you believe this initial decision to be in error. The appeal should be marked "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL" both on the envelope and the face of the letter.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-208-7456.

Sincerely,

Bernard C. Fagan
Acting Chief, Office of Policy