# FOIA ANNUAL REPORT FOR FY 2001 OF THE COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

# I. Basic Information Regarding Report

# A. Contact Person for Questions on This Report:

G. John Heyer, General Counsel Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 10800 Arlington, VA 22202-3259 Telephone: 703-603-0665

# B. Electronic Address for Report on the World Wide Web:

http://www.jwod.gov/jwod/Documents/foia\_report\_fy01.doc

# C. How to Obtain a Paper Copy of This Report:

Contact Mr. Heyer at the address or telephone number listed above.

# II. How to Make a FOIA Request

# A. Name, Address and Telephone Number of Officer Who Receives FOIA Requests:

Leon A. Wilson, Jr., Executive Director Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 10800 Arlington, VA 22202-3259 Telephone: 703-603-7740

#### **B.** Agency's Response Time Ranges:

Average processing time in FY 2001 was 14 days.

#### C. Brief Description of Why Some Requests Are Not Granted:

Nearly all information denied to requesters is privileged or confidential commercial or financial information exempt from disclosure under the FOIA.

# III. Definition of Terms and Acronyms Used in the Report

# A. Agency-specific Acronyms or Other Terms: none

# B. Basic Terms, Expressed in Common Terminology:

This report incorporates by reference the definitions contained in the FOIA report format published by the Department of Justice in its Summer 1997 <u>FOIA Update</u>. Copies of the definitions are available on request from Mr. Heyer at the address or telephone number listed above.

# IV. Exemption 3 Statutes

No Exemption 3 statutes were used as a basis for denying information in FY 2001.

# V. Initial FOIA/PA Access Requests

# A. Numbers of Initial Requests:

- 1. Pending at end of FY 2000: 0
- 2. Received during FY 2001: 12
- 3. Processed during FY 2001: 12
- 4. Pending at end of FY 2001: 0

# **B.** Disposition of Initial Requests:

- 1. Number of total grants: 5
- 2. Number of partial grants: 5
- 3. Number of denials: 0

# **FOIA** exemptions used:

Exemption 4: 5

#### 4. Other reasons for nondisclosure:

Responsive documents already available on the internet: 1

No responsive documents available: 1

# VI. Appeals of Initial Denials of FOIA/PA Requests

# A. Number of Appeals

- 1. Number of Appeals at end of FY 2000: 1
- 2. Number of Appeals received during FY 2001: 1
- 3. Number of Appeals processed during FY 2001: 2
- 4. Number of Appeals at end of FY 2001: 0

# **B.** Disposition of Appeals

- 1. Number completely upheld: 0
- 2. Number partially upheld: 1
- 3. Number completely reversed: 0
- 4. Number of times each FOIA exemption used:

Exemption 4: 1 Exemption 5: 1

5. Other Reasons for Nondisclosure:

Fee related reason: 1

# VII. Compliance with Time Limits/Status of Pending Requests

- A. Median Processing Time for Requests Processed During the Year
  - 1. Number of Requests Processed: 12
  - 2. Median Number of Days to Process: 11
- **B.** Status of Pending Requests
  - 1. Number of requests pending at end of FY 2001: 0
  - 2. Median number of days requests were pending on 9/30/01: N/A

# VIII. Costs/FOIA Staffing

- A. Staffing Levels
  - 1. Number of full-time FOIA personnel: 0

# 2. Number of part-time FOIA personnel (in work years): .25

# **B.** Total Costs (Including Staff and All Resources):

Unknown: not separately calculated by agency

# IX. Fees (Total Collected in FY 2000): \$481.35

# X. FOIA Regulations (Including Fee Schedule)

These regulations appear at 41 Part CFR 51-8, which is attached to the paper copy of this report and is available on the Internet at http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/index.html.