

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

GUADALUPE L. GARCIA, JR., <u>et al.</u> ,	)	
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Plaintiffs,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Case No. 1:00CV02445 (RBW)
	)	
TOM VILSACK, Secretary of	)	
Agriculture,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
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**DEFENDANT’S SECOND STATUS REPORT**

In defendant’s September 27, 2010 Status Report, USDA notified the Court that, in conjunction with the administrative claims process that USDA is establishing to provide up to a total of \$1.33 billion to farmers, USDA plans to post in its field offices, and mail to Hispanic and female farmers, a summary notice and a fact sheet describing the claims process. The summary notice and fact sheet were provided to plaintiffs’ counsel and lodged with the Court. Defendant also notified the Court that USDA plans to issue a press release; meet with stakeholders; launch a website containing information about the claims process; and activate a call center to gather names and contact information from farmers who are interested in receiving a claims package. Call center attendants will be provided with training and guidance about responding to inquiries. After filing this second status report, USDA will provide to plaintiffs’ counsel and lodge with the Court in camera certain additional documents (or working drafts thereof) that it intends to publicize when it initiates the claims process, which it will do on or after October 20, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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