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Ms. Amy M. Hass Interim Vice President and General Counsel University of Florida 123 Tigert Hall P.O. Box 113125 Gainesville, FL 32611-3125

Re: Public Record Request Reference # W002947-061617

Dear Ms. Hass:

On behalf of US Right to Know and pursuant to section 119.12(1)(b), Florida Statutes (2017), I write to inform you of the public record request submitted on June 16, 2017, a copy of which is attached (the letter is erroneously dated July 16, 2017). To date, US Right to Know has received no response to this request other than the initial acknowledgment. Accordingly, US Right to Know intends to seek a judicial order directing the University of Florida to produce the requested records.

It is not clear from the University of Florida website who is the agency's "custodian of public records" to be provided notice under the above-referenced statute. In an abundance of caution, this notice is being provided to the University's General Counsel, the Assistant University Counsel who "reviews documents related to public record requests," the Assistant Vice President for Media Relations and Public Affairs, the Public Records Center, and the University of Florida's outside counsel.

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If you have any questions regarding this notice, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Lynn C. Hearn

Sincerely,

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July 16, 2017

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RE: Florida Sunshine Law Request Regarding Professor Kevin M. Folta

Dear Ms. Hass:

This is a request under the Florida Sunshine Law for the production of documents. I request a complete and thorough search of all filing systems and locations for all records maintained by the University of Florida pertaining to Professor Kevin M. Folta, professor of horticulture at the University of Florida.

This FOIA request seeks all email to or from Professor Folta that is to, from, CC or BCC to the email address AgBioChatter@yahoogroups.com.

The time period covered by this request is from January 1, 2011 to the present.

I request that you disclose these documents and materials as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been assembled.

If documents are denied in whole or in part, please specify which exemption(s) is (are) claimed for each passage or whole document denied. Give the number of pages in each document and the total number of pages pertaining to this request and the dates of documents withheld. I request that excised material be "blacked out" rather than "whited out" or cut out and that the remaining non-exempt portions of documents be released as provided under the Florida Sunshine Law. Please send a memo (with a copy or copies to me) to the appropriate unit(s) in your office to assure that no records related to this request are destroyed.

Please advise of any destruction of records and include the date of and authority for such destruction. As I expect to appeal any denials, please specify the office and address to which an appeal should be directed.

I am making this request on behalf of U.S. Right to Know, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit food research organization. The records disclosed pursuant to this request will be used in the preparation of articles for dissemination to the public. Accordingly, I request that you waive all fees in the public

interest because furnishing of the information sought by this request will primarily benefit the public. Please send the documents to me in PDF format at gary@usrtk.org.

I can be reached at (415) 944-7350. Please call rather than write if there are any questions or if you need additional information from me.

Thank you so much for your help in filling this request.

Sincerely,

Gary Ruskin Co-Director