Keith,

I found out yesterday that UF turned over 5000 emails and 100MB of PDF to Gary Ruskin-- starting over a month ago. Great!

Glad they bothered to tell me.

I started going through this last night and I'm thinking that a preemptive release of the materials is a good idea, but selectively. Turns out that anyone that ever included me on a cc has their stuff released. Really bad.

Now, do you think there is a story in a legit journalist going through this first, and playing the role of Ruskin and writing about how they'll cherry pick and spin it? It exposes the danger of the FOIA laws. We need to show the perils of reimbursements, "gifts" and what funding really means. There are a few innocent nuggets like that in my emails, and while I know what it means, it will be spun in super bad ways. They will likely hang me on personal comments too.

If you think this is something you might want to tackle, let me know. I'm going to be the first one under the bus, and how we preempt this first volley of attacks could steer future interest in harming scientist privacy.

Call anytime.

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"Don't tell me what can't be done. Tell me what needs to be done, and let me do it." - Norman Borlaug.

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From: Keith Kloor <keith.kloor@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, June 22, 2015 7:58 PM To: Folta, Kevin M. Subject: Pe: GMO story

Here's where I read about your upcoming DC visit

http://smartboard.blogs.gainesville.com/2015/06/uf-prof-grad-students-to-testify-on-gmos-in-dc/?tc=ar

On Mon, Jun 22, 2015 at 7:36 PM, Folta, Kevin M. <<u>kfolta@ufl.edu</u>> wrote: It is because I gave you a totally effed-up number!

352-283-0799.

Sorry. Try now until 9

Kevin

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Sent from my phone.

On Jun 22, 2015, at 7:31 PM, Keith Kloor wrote: