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AMS002294- 7357	(b)(4) & (b)(6)	Withheld in Full	Cattlemen's Beef Board business ledgers containing detailed financial transaction activity for 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010.	(b)(4) These records are the Cattlemen's Beef Board confidential business information in detailed accounting ledgers. The ledgers contain journal entries for account receivables and transactions including Cattlemen's Beef Board payroll, employee benefits, employee training, operating expenses, rent, travel, advertising agency costs, meeting and conference expenses, shipping and storage expense, contract payment data, research grant payment data, advertising and promotional expenses, consultant fees, shipping, speaker's fees, and other invoicing information. USDA obtained this information when the Cattlemen's Beef Board voluntarily provided it to OIG in order to cooperate with the Department's audit. As a matter of practice, the Cattlemen's Beef Board does not disclose this information publicly. (b)(6) AMS redacted the names of private individuals who are employed with Cattlemen's Beef Board. These individuals have privacy interests in not receiving unwanted communications in relation to their employment. Further, revealing the names of these private individuals would do little to educate the public about agency functions.

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AMS007358- 8618	(b)(4) & (b)(6)	Withheld in Full	Cattlemen's Beef Board business ledgers containing detailed financial transaction activity for 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010.	(b)(4) These records are the Cattlemen's Beef Board confidential business information in detailed accounting ledgers. The ledgers contain journal entries for account receivables and transactions including Cattlemen's Beef Board payroll, employee benefits, employee training, operating expenses, rent, travel, advertising agency costs, meeting and conference expenses, shipping and storage expense, contract payment data, research grant payment data, advertising and promotional expenses, consultant fees, shipping, speaker's fees, and other invoicing information. USDA obtained this information when the Cattlemen's Beef Board voluntarily provided it to OIG in order to cooperate with the Department's audit. As a matter of practice, the Cattlemen's Beef Board does not disclose this information publicly. (b)(6) AMS redacted the names of private individuals who are employed with Cattlemen's Beef Board. These individuals have privacy interests in not receiving unwanted communications in relation to their employment. Further, revealing the names of these private individuals would do little to educate the public about agency functions.

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AMS008619- 13370	(b)(4) & (b)(6)	Withheld in Full	Cattlemen's Beef Board business ledgers containing detailed financial transaction activity for 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010.	(b)(4) These records are the Cattlemen's Beef Board confidential business information in detailed accounting ledgers. The ledgers contain journal entries for account receivables and transactions including Cattlemen's Beef Board payroll, employee benefits, employee training, operating expenses, rent, travel, advertising agency costs, meeting and conference expenses, shipping and storage expense, contract payment data, research grant payment data, advertising and promotional expenses, consultant fees, shipping, speaker's fees, and other invoicing information. USDA obtained this information when the Cattlemen's Beef Board voluntarily provided it to OIG in order to cooperate with the Department's audit. As a matter of practice, the Cattlemen's Beef Board does not disclose this information publicly. (b)(6) AMS redacted the names of private individuals who are employed with Cattlemen's Beef Board. These individuals have privacy interests in not receiving unwanted communications in relation to their employment. Further, revealing the names of these private individuals would do little to educate the public about agency functions.
AMS0013371 -13377	(b)(5)	Withheld in Full	Cattlemen's Beef Board pre- evaluations for authorization requests (year 2009)	(b)(5) – Deliberative Process Privilege. Redactions were made to evaluations of authorization requests for the use of Beef Board funds. Redactions were made to opinions regarding whether to authorize funding in response to the request. Id. The communication is predecisional because it occurred before AMS rendered a decision as to whether to approve the projects for funding. The communication are deliberative because they consists of recommendations on whether to authorize funding and the recitation of selected information for the benefit of AMS's decision on whether to approve funding.