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**Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request: Puerto Rico Emergency Management Agency PPE Bids and Procedures**

Dear Beryl Lipton or Representative:

At this time, we are not disclosing the information as requested in your letters of January 16, 2023 and February 15, 2023 related to the Freedom of Information Act request originally submitted on April 2020; (copies attached). The US Freedom of Information Act applies to Federal Government and its Agencies. The Puerto Rico Department of Public Safety (DSP) including The Puerto Rico Emergency Management Agency (NMEAD), is an agency of the Government of Puerto Rico and it's not a Federal Government Agency.

However, it is important to point out that The General Services Administration (ASG) is the government agency that carries out the buying or bidding process *for all* the Puerto Rico Government Agencies. Thus, all DSP and NMEAD documentation related to the buying or bidding process is located at that agency. Accompanying this communication, a copy of the Public Act and Regulation that stablish ASG authority over the government agencies buying process.

Regards,

  
Alexis Torres Ríos  
Secretary

