



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Technical Information Service
5301 Shawnee Road
Alexandria, VA 22312

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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request DOC-OS-2019-001855

Dear Mr. Ricker :

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act Request to the Department of Commerce for the following information: ““I request the entire Open Access Death Master File, in native electronic format, as defined in 15 CFR 1110.2: "Open Access DMF. The DMF product made available by NTIS which does not include DMF with respect to any deceased individual at any time during the three-calendar-year period beginning on the date of the individual's death. "I specifically do NOT request the Limited Access DMF, and refuse to participate in 15 CFR 1110 "certification". The requirements of 15 CFR Part 1110 only apply to "any Person seeking access to a Limited Access DMF"; see 15 CFR 1110.1(b), limiting its applicability. This is reiterated in 15 CFR 1110.100(b), which says that "Certification under this part is not required for any Person to access the Open Access DMF made available by NTIS".

The documents you requested are not Agency records of the Department of Commerce. The Social Security Administration (SSA) is the database owner for the Death Master File and its subset, the Limited Access Death Master File (LADMF). You will have to contact the Social Security Administration for the information you are seeking. For your convenience, I am providing you with the following Contact Information:

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