

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

In re:) [AWA]
) Docket No. **12-0536**
Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.)
) **2015 February Hearing**
Respondent) **[Hearing Schedule Finalized]**

Appearances:

Sharlene Deskins, Esq., with the Office of the General Counsel, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C., for APHIS, ¹ Complainant; and

Mark H. Lynch, Esq. and Jeannie Perron, Esq. (both with Covington & Burling LLP, Washington, D.C.), for Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc., Respondent.

1. The parties, through counsel, participated in telephone conferences with me on September 24, 2014. **The Hearing schedule is finalized: 3-13 February 2015** (unless completed sooner), (excluding weekend; 9 days, Tues thru Fri and Mon thru Fri), beginning each day at **9:30 a.m. Eastern time, in Washington, D.C.**, in a USDA Hearing room:

Hearing Room
Room 1037 USDA South Building
1400 Independence Ave SW
Washington, DC 20250

Parties and counsel shall **promptly notify** clients, potential witnesses, and other Hearing participants of this setting. Any objections shall first be shared promptly between the parties and then brought to my attention via FAX at 202-720-8424.

2. This Hearing will be an in-person, face-to-face hearing. **All the participants will appear in the USDA Hearing room in Washington DC, including the judge and the**

1. The Complainant is the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture (APHIS).

court reporter. I ask the parties and counsel to arrive by **9:15 a.m. Eastern** time the first morning (in part to assist the Court Reporter, including providing business cards or other written identifying and contact information, for the transcript). We will likely conclude each day between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Eastern.

3. Access to the USDA South Building, where USDA Hearing Room 1037 South Building is located on the first floor, is obtained through the Wing 4 door on Independence Ave SW for non-employees of USDA (except that only at the Wing 1 door (near 12th St SW) is there an elevator; please advise if anyone will require an elevator instead of stairs). The Wing 4 door is half-way between 12th St SW and 14th St SW. The metro-rail stop is Smithsonian, exiting toward Independence Ave (NOT toward the Mall). Participants who do not have a USDA identification badge will give the Security Guard the Hearing Clerk's Office phone number **202-720-4443**, to be escorted to the Hearing Room. If counsel will provide Ms. Kennedy with non-USDA-employee participants' names the week before, Ms. Kennedy will be better able to coordinate with security.

4. The Notice issued August 28, 2014 includes other instructions regarding the Hearing.

Copies of this 2015 February Hearing notice shall be served by the Hearing Clerk upon each of the parties, **and sent to Neal R. Gross & Co., Inc., Court Reporters.**

Done at Washington, D.C.
this 24th day of September 2014

s/ Jill S. Clifton

Jill S. Clifton
Administrative Law Judge

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