



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10007

October 20, 2023

Re: FOIL 2021-002-00656; FOIL 2021-002-00628

Dear Alexander Riccio:

This letter is a response to your request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law received on October 18, 2021, for the following records:

Pursuant to the New York Freedom of Information Law, I hereby request the following records: Records relating to the total number of restaurants inspected for compliance with state pandemic air filtration and ventilating guidance. Records relating to the total number of inspected restaurants that have installed MERV 13 filters. Records relating to the total number of inspected restaurants that have installed portable filtration or UVGI instead of MERV 13 filters. Records relating to the total number of inspected restaurants that were operating the installed filtration or UVGI systems when inspected. Records relating to the total number of inspected restaurants that have other mitigation measures in place, when MERV 13 filtration, UVGI, and portable filtration, was not in place. Records relating to the number restaurants that have been found to be or are currently out of compliance with air filtration and ventilating guidance.

After conducting a search, the Mayor's Office has located records responsive to your request under FOIL. The responsive records have been posted to the Open Records portal. Please note that some records have been redacted pursuant to Public Officer's Law § 87(2)(b) and (g). You may wish to direct your search to the New York City Office of Technology and Innovation.

You may appeal this determination in writing within thirty days by addressing such an appeal to [FOILAppeal@cityhall.nyc.gov](mailto:FOILAppeal@cityhall.nyc.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeffrey Lowell".

Jeffrey Lowell  
Records Access Officer