1. FOIA Improvement Plan area to which this deficient milestone relates.

   Obtain FOIA contractor assistance (for backlog reduction).

2. Deficient milestone and the original target date from the FOIA Improvement Plan.

   Obtain contractor support by October 15, 2006.

3. Steps taken to correct the deficiency and the dates by which the steps were completed.

   As reported in the Fiscal Year 2006 Annual Report, the time milestones for this action were met and a contract was issued on September 26, 2006. Unfortunately, the contractor unexpectedly withdrew from the contract due to facility security clearance difficulties. Since the time the annual report was issued, the agency has taken the following steps to obtain a replacement contractor:

   A new scope of work was completed on June 8, 2007.

4. Future remedial steps and the dates by which the steps will be completed.

   A RFQ will be issued by August 13, 2007.
   A new contract will be issued by September 30, 2007.

1. FOIA Improvement Plan area to which this deficient milestone relates.

   Backlog Reduction/Elimination - Pre-FY 2005.

2. Deficient milestone and the original target date from the FOIA Improvement Plan.

   Backlog of pre-FY 2005 cases eliminated by December 31, 2006.

3. Steps taken to correct the deficiency and the dates by which the steps were completed.
As reported in the Fiscal Year 2006 Annual Report, the agency closed 87% of the backlogged requests received prior to FY 2005. This shortfall was due to the withdrawal of a contractor which was to provide assistance in the backlog reduction effort. Since the time the annual report was issued, the agency has taken the following steps to eliminate the pre-FY 2005 backlog.

A new scope of work was prepared on June 8, 2007.

4. **Future remedial steps and the dates by which the steps will be completed.**

   A RFQ will be issued by August 13, 2007.

   A new contract will be issued by September 30, 2007.

   Backlog of pre-FY 2005 cases eliminated by March 31, 2008.