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July 2, 2013

Fred Hahn  
Chief Procurement Officer  
Capital Development Board  
Executive Ethics Commission  
301 Stratton Building  
Springfield, Illinois 62706

**Re: 50-35 Potential Conflict of Interest**

Dear Mr. Bill Grunloh,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 50-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, I have reviewed your request received July 2, 2013 and understand the facts to be as follows:

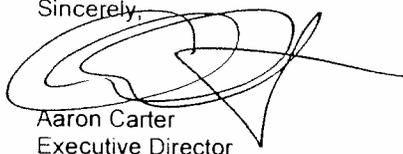
- 1) The Illinois Department of Transportation has issued a request for a review and comment on potential conflicts of interest disclosed by Millennia Professional Services.
- 2) The contract pertains to renovations of the Supreme Court Building in Springfield.
- 3) Millennia Professional Services was selected using invitation for bid process.
- 4) The disclosure form submitted on behalf of the Millennia Professional Services indicates the following:
  - a. Stephan Dietz, Project Manager with Millennia, has disclosed he previously worked for the Illinois Department of Transportation in the District 4 Peoria Office. For the last seven months of his employment before his resignation on March 2, 2012, Mr. Dietz was a Civil Engineer V; his title was Acting Maintenance Field Engineer. As part of his duties, Mr. Dietz oversaw three maintenance yards where the Department's highway maintainers work. Before that, Mr. Dietz was a Civil Engineer IV; his title was Senior Resident Engineer (RE). Being a senior RE, Mr. Dietz was out in the field while construction projects were underway. However, Mr. Dietz did not participate in the evaluation or rating of construction contractors. He also had no participatory role in the IDOT letting process while employed by the Department.
- 5) The Illinois Department of Transportation confirmed that none of the disclosed individuals were in a position to influence the award of this contract. The Illinois Department of Transportation and CPO Bill Grunloh indicate that it would be in the best interest of the State to approve this conflict of interest due to the using agency's needs and the value of the contract.

Based on the foregoing, you are requesting my review and comment pursuant to the Illinois Procurement Code.

Review and Comment

After careful review of the documentation provided, I do not view the relationships disclosed above as creating a conflict of interest sufficient to preclude the Illinois Department of Transportation from entering into a contract with Millennia Professional Services for the services outlined in your letter received July 2, 2013.

Sincerely,



Aaron Carter  
Executive Director

Cc: EEC General Counsel