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February 14, 2014

Fred Hahn
Chief Procurement Officer
Capital Development Board
377C Stratton Office Building
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Re: 50-35 Potential Conflict of Interest, Project #102-719-019

Dear Mr. Hahn,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 50-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, I have reviewed your request received February 13, 2014 and understand the facts to be as follows:

- 1) The Capital Development Board has issued a request for a review and comment on potential conflicts of interest disclosed by Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc.
- 2) The contract pertains to A/E Services for replacement of the campground sewage treatment at Fyrne Clyffe State Park.
- 3) Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc. was selected via qualifications based selection.
- 4) The disclosure form submitted on behalf of the Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc. indicates the following:
 - a. Vendor disclosed its representation by a lobbyist, Governmental Consulting Solutions, 420 Capitol Avenue, Suite 1, Springfield, IL. The lobbyist was not associated with this procurement.
- 5) The Capital Development Board confirmed that none of the disclosed individuals were in a position to influence the award of this contract. The Capital Development Board and CPO Hahn 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 Capital Development Board from entering into a contract with Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc. for the services outlined in your letter received February 13, 2014.

Sincerely,

Aaron Carter
Executive Director

Cc: EEC General Counsel