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February 18, 2014

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

Re: 50-35 Potential Conflict of Interest, Project #102-719-019 Phase 1

Dear Mr. Fred Hahn,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 50-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, I have reviewed your request received February 14, 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 Mott Excavating, Inc.

2) The contract pertains to the general trade contract for replacing campground sewage treatment.

3) Mott Excavating, Inc was selected using competitive sealed bidding.

4) The disclosure form submitted on behalf of Mott Excavating, Inc indicates the following:

   a. Dannell Mott, 50% owner with her spouse, 50% owner Morris Mott, disclosed that she is the elected Supervisor of Assessments for Johnson County. She has served in that capacity since November 1, 1991 and receives annual compensation of $50,000.

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 Fred 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 Mott Excavating, Inc for the services outlined in your letter received February 14, 2014.

Sincerely,

Aaron Carter
Executive Director

Cc: EEC General Counsel

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