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March 31, 2014

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



Re: 50-35 Potential Conflict of Interest, Reference #830-030-154

Dear Mr. Hahn,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 50-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, I have reviewed your request received March 31, 2014 and understand the facts to be as follows:

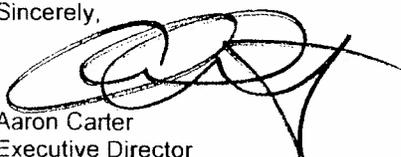
- 1) The Capital Development Board has issued a request for a review and comment on potential conflicts of interest disclosed by subcontractor LCM Architects Inc.
- 2) The contract pertains to the UIC Dentistry Building Infrastructure Improvements.
- 3) LCM Architects Inc was selected via contractor-subcontractor agreement.
- 4) The disclosure form submitted on behalf of LCM Architects Inc indicates the following:
 - a. Mr. Douglas J. Anderson, a partner of LCM Architects, was a member of the U.S. Access Board by appointment of President George W. Bush. His last meeting as a member of the Board was in November of 2011. The U.S. Access Board is the agency that establishes the architectural guidelines for the Americans with Disabilities Act. Mr. Anderson's salary as a member was \$14,000/annually.
- 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 LCM Architects Inc for the services outlined in your letter received March 31, 2014.

Sincerely,


Aaron Carter
Executive Director

Cc: EEC General Counsel