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March 12, 2015

Fred Hahn
Chief Procurement Officer
Capital Development Board
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Re: 50-35 Potential Conflict of Interest, 120-135-061

Dear Mr. Hahn,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 50-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, I have reviewed your request received March 12, 2015 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 prime vendor KAM Services, Inc.
- 2) The contract pertains to construction related services.
- 3) KAM Services, Inc. was selected via competitive sealed bids.
- 4) The disclosure form submitted on behalf of KAM Services, Inc. indicates the following:
 - a. Marion Mitchell, the father of Mark E. Mitchell, recently deceased and who was a 43% owner of the firm, was the acting county board chairman of Jasper County. Mr. Mitchell earned less than 60% of the salary of the Governor in this position.
- 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 KAM Services, Inc. for the services outlined in your letter received March 12, 2015.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Aaron Carter", is written over a circular stamp or seal. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Aaron Carter
Executive Director

Cc: EEC General Counsel