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October 23, 2014

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

Re: 50-35 Potential Conflict of Interest, 120-295-011

Dear Mr. Hahn,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 50-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, I have reviewed your request received October 23, 2014 and understand the facts to be as follows:

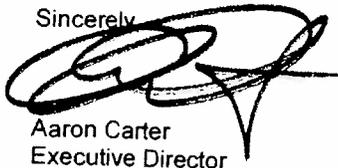
- 1) The Capital Development Board has issued a request for a review and comment on potential conflicts of interest disclosed by prime vendor A&R Mechanical Contractors, Inc.
- 2) The contract pertains to installing new or modifying piping.
- 3) A&R Mechanical Contractors, Inc was selected via competitive sealed bids.
- 4) The disclosure form submitted on behalf of A&R Mechanical Contractors, Inc indicates the following:
  - a. Patricia Reichard, spouse of A&R employee Jon Reichard, is employed by the University Of Illinois Chicago College Of Nursing as a Clinical Instructor. She started work on August 16, 2013. Jon Reichard has a 25% ownership in the vendor.
  - b. Benjamin Reichard, son of Jon Reichard, is employed as a State Trooper by the Illinois State Police. He started work on November 10, 2013. Jon Reichard has a 25% ownership interest in the vendor.
- 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 A&R Mechanical Contractors, Inc for the services outlined in your letter received October 23, 2014.

Sincerely,



Aaron Carter  
Executive Director

Cc: EEC General Counsel