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September 29, 2015

Ms. Lorri Lawton  
Chief Procurement Officer  
Capital Development Board  
377C Stratton Office Building  
Springfield, IL 62706

Re: 50-35 Potential Conflict of Interest, Subcontract for 630-000-186

Dear Ms. Lawton,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 50-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, I have reviewed your request received September 29, 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 LCI Concrete, Inc., subcontractor of Laverdiere Construction, Inc.
- 2) The contract pertains to construction related services.
- 3) The subcontractor was selected via contractor-subcontractor agreement.
- 4) The disclosure form submitted on behalf of the subcontractor indicates the following:
  - a. Nancy L. Laverdiere, 98% owner of LCI Concrete, Inc., disclosed that she was employed as a library assistant for Western Illinois University until her retirement in 2013. Her annual salary did not exceed 60% of the salary of the Governor.
- 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 Lawton 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 above-named prime vendor from entering into a subcontract with the above-named subcontractor.

Sincerely,

Will Blount  
Executive Director

Cc: EEC General Counsel