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November 13, 2015

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

Re: 50-35 Potential Conflict of Interest, 546-185-012

Dear Ms. Lawton,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 50-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, I have reviewed your request received November 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 McDonough-Whitlow, P.C.
- 2) The contract pertains to construction related services.
- 3) The vendor was selected via qualifications based selection.
- 4) The disclosure form submitted on behalf of the vendor indicates the following:
 - a. Tiffany Streeval, daughter of G. William Whitlow, a holder of stock or ownership/distributable income meeting the statutory requirements, is employed by the Illinois Department of Revenue as a Revenue Auditor I since September 2013. Her income is less than 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 Capital Development Board from entering into a contract with the above-named vendor.

Sincerely,

Joshua Floyd
Assistant Director

Cc: EEC General Counsel