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Subject: Pre-Authorization Granted 2010 PAC 6803

Importance: High

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Via email
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RE: Pre-Authorization Request-- 2010 PAC 6803

Dear Ms. Banister:

We have received and reviewed the written notice from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (U of I) of its intent to deny disclosure of certain information as exempt from disclosure under Section 7(1)(f) of the Freedom of Information Act. 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*, as amended (FOIA). U of I is seeking to withhold the scoring sheets used in the bidding process.

Section 7(1)(f) of FOIA exempts "preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions are formulated." 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(f).

Our office has reviewed a score sheet that U of I uses to make its bid determinations. The score sheet is a tool used to numerically evaluate proposals in an effort to formulate a final action. Such scoring sheets fit within the parameters of the section 7(1)(f) exemption. Therefore, U of I's use of the section 7(1)(f) exemption in regard to the portion of the score sheets it wishes to redact is approved.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at (312) 814-6437. This letter shall serve to close this file.

Sincerely,

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