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Ms. Thomas S. Hardy
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RE: FOIA Preauthorization Request No. 2010 PAC 7839 (STL Office Solutions, Inc.)

Dear Mr. Hardy:

The Office of the Public Access Counselor has received and reviewed the documents provided in response to its June 16, 2010 further inquiry letter. That letter was sent after this office received written notice from the University of Illinois of its intention to deny in part the request for documents of STL Office Solutions, Inc. (STL) pursuant to Section 7(1)(f) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(f). Section 7(1)(f) exempts from disclosure “[p]reliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies and actions are formulated.” 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(f).

STL had requested documents related to the evaluation and scoring of its proposal to perform certain services for the University. The University proposed to provide the documents but to redact information that it asserts is protected under Section 7(1)(f).

After reviewing the documents, we have concluded that the proposed redactions are appropriate under Section 7(1)(f) because the redacted information consists of passages in which opinions are expressed about various prospective vendors. Accordingly, the University’s request to redact the information pursuant to Section 7(1)(f) is approved.

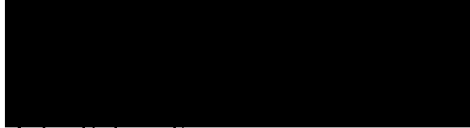
If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 312-814-2770. This correspondence

will serve to close the matter.

Sincerely,

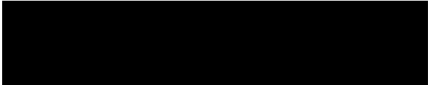
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