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Re: FOIA #14-037

Dear Mr. Kimmle:

I write to respond to your Freedom of Information request dated December 26, 2013, received by the University on December 28, 2013, and received in my office on January 23, 2014, in which you requested:

“...water well construction reports and other identifying records, including well location maps if available, for wells located in the following sections in Macoupin County:

<u>Township</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Sections</u>
9N	7W	19, 20, 29, 30, 31, 32
9N	8W	24, 25, 36
8N	7W	2 through 11 inclusive, and 14 through 23 inclusive
8N	8W	1, 12, 13, 24

We ask that information be provided for domestic water wells within the noted areas, and any community supply wells which may be present within 10 miles of these areas.”

Your request also included a completed database access form.

Information responsive to the first point of your request is available and attached. These are public documents numbering 101 pages.

Portions of these documents have been redacted pursuant to the following section(s) of the Act:

- 140/7(1)(b) that exempts from disclosure “Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order.” This includes private citizen names, addresses, phone numbers and signatures.
- 140/7(1)(c) that exempts from disclosure “Personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which, if disclosed, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the

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individual subjects of the information.” This includes private citizen names, addresses, phone numbers and signatures.

The FOIA office is unable to process your database access request. The Illinois State Water Survey will process that part of your request. Please direct any questions to Mr. William Saylor.

For your information, some of the records you seek are available online at <http://www.isgs.illinois.edu/?q=ilwater>. Also, the Illinois State Water Survey customarily provides these records outside of FOIA. While you are welcome to file a request for these records under the Act, you may prefer to seek them from the responsive office. If you choose to contact the ISWS directly, please do not reference the Act in your request.

Should you wish to inspect or receive a physical copy of these documents, please call Melanie Kuehn at the phone number below and she will provide you with all necessary details.

Per 5ILCS 140/9.5(b), you have a right, under the law, to seek a review of your status as a commercial requestor by the Public Access Counselor in the Office of the Attorney General. They may be reached by phone at 217-782-1396, by email to publicaccess@atg.state.il.us, or by postal mail at the Public Access Bureau, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706. You also have the right to seek judicial review under section 11 of this Act.

In the future, if you file a FOIA for records held by any unit of the University of Illinois, including the Prairie Research Institute and any of the state surveys, please send your request to foia@uillinois.edu.

If you have questions for our office, please contact 217-333-6400.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Hardy
Executive Director
and Chief Records Officer