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Re: FOIA Request 15-210

Dear Mr. Mamon:

I write to respond to your Freedom of Information request received in my office on March 24, 2015, in which you requested:

“documents relating to the contract award made to Matrix Integration in response to the University Bid Request 1TLC1520. A copy of the winning Bid response by Matrix Integration to include Section 2 – Pricing. Any documents showing weighted scoring of responses received by the University that lead to the conclusion that the offer by Matrix Integration was most favorable to the University.”

Information responsive to your request is available and attached. These are public documents numbering 40 pages.

Portions of these documents have been redacted and other documents are being withheld 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 personal cell phone numbers.
- 140/7(1)(f) that exempts from disclosure “Preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions are formulated, except that a specific record or relevant portion of a record shall not be exempt when the record is publicly cited and identified by the head of the public body.” The scoring sheet you requested is deliberative in nature and, thus, is being withheld. On numerous occasions the Public Access Counselor has concluded that scoring sheets used to select a vendor fall within the provisions of this section. (See Ill. Att’y Gen. PAC Pre-Auth. 16159, 16151, 15486, 15333, 15364, 14858, and 14851.)

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.

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

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Hardy
Executive Director
and Chief Records Officer