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Re: FOIA #15-603

Dear Cowman:

I write to respond to your Freedom of Information request dated and received in my office on July 22, 2015, in which you requested:

“Thank you for your response to our December 19, 2014 FOIA request, below (original FOIA request attached). We are specifically requesting Pearson agreements with the Chicago campus. Please note: the relevant RFP number is ALS273.

As a reminder, the documents we requested are as follows:

1. Any and all contracts executed with Deltak, Pearson, Embanent Compass, Pearson Embanet, Everspring Inc, and Blackboard.
2. Any proposal submitted in response to a Request for Proposal issued by the universities from Deltak, Pearson, Embanent Compass, Pearson Embanet, Everspring Inc, and Blackboard.”

Information responsive to your request is available and attached. These are public documents numbering 218 pages.

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- 140/7(1)(g) that exempts from disclosure “Trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person or business where the trade secrets or commercial or financial information are furnished under a claim that they are proprietary, privileged or confidential, and that or where disclosure of the trade secrets or commercial or financial information would cause competitive harm to the person or business...” This includes trade secret or commercial information furnished under a claim of confidentiality that would cause competitive harm if released.

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Sincerely,

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