May 21, 2014

Mr. Paul Joseph Harcz, Jr.

E-mail: joeharcz@comcast.net

1365 E. Mt. Morris Rd.

Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Re: FOIA Response to Request for Information on Disability Network SW in Kalamazoo

Dear Mr. Harcz, Jr.:

This email is in response to your May 17, 2014, email request for information, received by this office on May 19, 2014. Please be advised that the Bureau of Services for Blind Persons (BSBP) is processing this request under the state’s Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), MCL 15.231 *et seq*.

You have requested information as described in your email (which is also below) as:

“Could you in simple English tell me precisely what the BSBP expentitures for the Disability Network SW in Kalamazoo (DTMB notations after signature line) were for?”

In order to determine the extent of the research time, the size and number of records of nonexempt information within BSBP responsive to your request, a search must be undertaken. For this reason, it is necessary to extend the time for response, as permitted by Section 5(2)(d) of the FOIA, through June 5, 2014.

If it is determined that there is a cost involved in the processing of this request, you will be sent an email which will include an invoice outlining

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that cost (before or no later than June 5, 2014). This email may either request a deposit (if the cost is over $50.00) or request payment of the total cost if the amount is under $50.00.

Please note that nothing within the federal American with Disabilities Act (ADA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (RA), as amended, or the state’s FOIA (MCL 15.231 et seq.) requires a public body to process FOIA requests free of charge. Further, while the ADA and Section 504 of the RA may mandate that, upon request, material be produced in an accessible format without charge, neither the ADA or Section 504 of the RA preclude a public body from charging costs under the state’s FOIA. Thusly, please note that no labor fee charges have been, or will be, assessed to convert existing, nonexempt public records responsive to your requests into an accessible format to forward to you.

Sincerely,

Carla Miller Haynes, FOIA Coordinator

Bureau of Services for Blind Persons

Attachment: Email Request for Information

cc: Edward F. Rodgers II

Sue Luzenski

 Mike Pemble

Katie Belknap

Leamon Jones

Diamalyn Gaston

Shannon McVoy

Gwen McNeal

Wilda Haney

Marla Neubaum

Cathy Cove

Leon Wilborn

From: joe harcz Comcast [mailto:joeharcz@comcast.net]

Sent: Sunday, May 18, 2014 11:37 AM

To: Rodgers, Edward (LARA)

Cc: Luzenski, Sue (LARA); Christyne.Cavataio@ed.gov; BRIAN SABOURIN; Marlene Malloy MCRS Dir.;

nfbmi-talk@nfbnet.org; Timothy Beatty RSA; commissioner-hudson@outlook.com; BSBPcommissioners

Subject:

May 17 2014 Disability Network SW

Paul Joseph Harcz, Jr.

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Joeharcz@comcast.net

To: Edward Rodgers, Director

Bureau Services to Blind Persons

Dear Mr. Rodgers,

Could you in simple English tell me precisely what the BSBP expentitures for the Disability Network SW in Kalamazoo (DTMB notations after signature line) were for?

These things should not be difficult to answer.

Sincerely,

Paul Joseph Harcz, Jr.

Cc: NFB MI

Cc: RSA

Cc: MPAS

Cc: MI SILC

Attachment:

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DMB-Contact-OFM@michigan.gov.

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Payments to a Vendor by Agency and Category

Payments to DISABILITY NETWORK SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN by LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS for fiscal year 2014

Table with 4 columns and 15 rows

Agency Name

Category Description

Warrant Date

Payments Total

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

5/12/2014

$500.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

5/1/2014

$500.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

4/15/2014

$500.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

4/11/2014

$500.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

4/4/2014

$1,000.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

3/19/2014

$1,000.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

3/17/2014

$500.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

2/14/2014

$500.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

2/4/2014

$777.50

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

1/7/2014

$150.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

12/27/2013

$1,000.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

12/12/2013

$500.00

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Contractual Services Supplies and Materials

12/9/2013

$350.00

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