June 3, 2014

Mr. Paul Joseph Harcz, Jr.

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Re: FOIA Response to Request for Information on Anderson Building Equipment

Dear Mr. Harcz, Jr.:

This email is in response to your May 27, 2014, email request for information, received by this office on May 28, 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:

“…I am asking for a complete breakdown of the inventory in the Anderson Building. In addition I am asking for a complete accounting of all the equipment that was in said Anderson Building in February of 2012, where it went and simply what happened to it?”

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 16, 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 16, 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

Rob Essenberg

Constance Zanger

James Hull

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

Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2014 8:58 AM

To: Rodgers, Edward (LARA)

Cc: Luzenski, Sue (LARA); Pemble, Mike (LARA); Zimmer, Mike (LARA); Christyne.Cavataio@ed.gov;

nfbmi-talk@nfbnet.org; BSBPcommissioners; commissioner-hudson@outlook.com; Joe Sibley MCBVI

Pres.; Marlene Malloy MCRS Dir.; BRIAN SABOURIN

Subject: accounting anderson building equipment

May 27 2014 Elliot and other Anderson Building Accounting

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To:

Edward Rodgers, BSBP Director, DSU

Michael Zimmer, LARA, DSA

Mike Pemble, Deputy Director, BSBP

All,

Please note after my signature line Capital Equipment purchases (partial) that I assume are in the so-called “”Cora’s Café” in the Michigan House Office Building which is supposed to be a BEP location for a licensed operator under PA 260.

Regardless as per the 2012 audit of the Michigan Auditor General BSBP was to have in place a system for readily identifying all purchases and continued inventory accounting of such equipment. Thus I am asking for a complete breakdown of the inventory in the Anderson Building. In addition I am asking for a complete accounting of all the equipment that was in said Anderson Building in February of 2012, where it went and simply what happened to it?

This shouldn’t be so difficult for you astute fiduciaries to handle. After all these are taxpayer funds involved here.

Thank you in advance for your prompt response and accurate accounting of the public’s funds.

Sincerely,

Paul Joseph Harcz, Jr.

Cc: NFB

Cc: several media

Cc: several legislators

Cc: RSA

Cc: MCRS

Cc: BSBP Commissioners

Cc: MPAS

Attachment:

Source:

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DMB-Contact-OFM@michigan.gov.

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Payments to ELLIOTT FOOD EQUIPMENT LLC by LICENSING AND REGULATORY

AFFAIRS for fiscal year 2014

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Agency Name

Category Description

Warrant Date

Payments Total

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Capital Acquisitions and Rentals

5/19/2014

$117,583.50

LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Capital Acquisitions and Rentals

5/6/2014

$8,000.00

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5/2/2014

$10,650.00

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