Jan. 11, 2013 [e-mailed to molly.beck@sj-r.com]

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Dear Ms. Beck

This letter is in response to your recent request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on Dec. 6, 2012.

On Dec. 13, our agency requested a five-day extension until Dec. 20. On Dec. 20, our agency informed you that we required additional time to complete the collection and review of responsive documents.


The attached documents (13-159-beck-doc1.xlsx through 13-159-beck-doc9b) are provided in response to your request. As ISBE’s Amanda Simhauser indicated to you during a phone conversation on Jan. 7, we are providing you with an Excel document that lists each deficiency letter generated in our system for teachers employed in Sangamon County during the timeframe you requested. The spreadsheet provides the teacher’s name, a brief description of the deficiency, the date the deficiency letter was created and the date the deficiency was removed. A “NULL” in Column G indicates that the deficiency has not been removed. The document 13-159-beck-doc2.pdf provides a glossary of the deficiency codes.

Pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7 (1) (a), one row of the spreadsheet has been redacted as information prohibited from release by other state laws. Pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7 (1) (a), transcripts that were included in an email attachment are being withheld as they are exempt from disclosure under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Private information has been redacted pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7 (1) (b).
If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Simhauser at (217) 782-4648 or asimhaus@isbe.net.

Sincerely,

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Attachments