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Re: Correspondence with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs

This report is submitted pursuant to Section 60 of the Quincy Veterans' Home Rehabilitation and Rebuilding Act (Act), which requires the Capital Development Board (CDB) to "provide the General Assembly with unredacted copies of all correspondence and communications with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs related to securing funding for the renovation, restoration, rehabilitation, or rebuilding of the Quincy Veterans' Home" (330 ILCS 21/60).

CDB has been working closely with the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs (IDVA) to assist IDVA obtain federal reimbursement grant funding from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (USDVA) for design and construction work at IDVA facilities completed under CDB contracts. This report is for correspondence discussing coordination efforts for CDB project 040-010-120, which rehabilitates and expands the cemetery at the Quincy Veterans' Home. This project is scheduled to receive federal reimbursement from the USDVA. In furtherance of this project, several meetings were held between staff from CDB, IDVA, USDVA, and the design team under contract with CDB discussing various project issues and federal requirements. These meetings were held on November 18, 2020; January 12, 2021; February 25, 2021; March 11, 2021; and June 7, 2021. Pre-bid meetings were held on April 21, 2021 and May 17, 2021. CDB staff sent USDVA staff invitations to the pre-bid meetings. In addition, CDB staff contacted USDVA staff by telephone on

February 17, 2021 to discuss a prior meeting; and email correspondence between staff from CDB, USDVA, IDVA, and the design team to discuss the project occurred from May 18, 2021 to June 21, 2021. Copies of the email correspondence are attached.

CDB apologizes for the delay in submitting this report. There was some uncertainty whether these communications are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act, since this project is not proceeding under the Act. To promote full transparency, the communications are being reported.

Should you need any additional information regarding this report, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy Romano". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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