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RE: CJA Employee Restrictions

Inventorying Employment Restrictions Act (20 ILCS 5000) Part II

Dear Messrs. Schuck and Cutrone and other members of The Task Force on Inventorying:

We are in receipt of your letter dated January 11, 2012 in which you request a report on the number of actual applicants who underwent criminal background checks, the number of applicants who were deemed disqualified, the number who sought waiver and the number who were denied waiver.

In your letter, you also refer to a November 8, 2011 letter sent via email that requested a report describing restrictions for employment with the agency, in facilities licensed, regulated, supervised, or funded by the agency, and in occupations that the agency licenses or provides certifications to practice. Please note that we did not receive such an email or letter. We did previously attempt to contact the Task Force to comply with the Act but were instructed that a form for reporting would be forthcoming. We will now work to assemble the requested information of Part I.

The following is in answer to the questions under Part II dated January 11, 2012 from the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority:

1. The number of actual applicants who underwent criminal background checks for the past two years.

2010 31 2011 139

Total 170 applicants underwent criminal background checks in the last two years.

2. The number of applicants who were deemed disqualified.

2010 1 2011 7

Total 8 applicants were disqualified under our review process.

3. Number who sought waiver in the last two years.

None

4. Number who were denied waiver in the last two years.

None

Very truly yours,

Michael Stone Chief of Staff

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Per Tollway Policy and Procedures, applicants, who self-identify criminal backgrounds or whose criminal histories are disclosed through the fingerprinting process, are entitled to submit a written statement or appear before the Tollway's Criminal Background Review Committee. The Committee, with the input of the applicant, identifies the accuracy of the criminal history disclosed. In addition, the Committee has an the opportunity to question the applicant regarding responses provided on the employment application regarding a criminal background. The information gathered by the Committee and a recommendation is then provided to the Administrative Review Board for further action. The Administrative Review Board considers the information and recommendation gathered to determine whether an applicant is suitable for employment.