

Ethics (COE)

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From: Ethics (COE)
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2008 3:26 PM
To: Haq, Mohammed I. (MDCR)
Subject: RE: Pilot Project -Cost Analysis

Mr. Haq:

The Ethics Commission is of the opinion that such gifts should not be accepted. The perception is that the vendor/bidder giving the equipment free of charge has a competitive advantage over the others not providing free equipment. There are a few ways of handling this: 1) Have the County pay for the equipment or 2) Make it a requirement in the RFP/RFP that all bidders must supply this type of equipment to the County in order for the County to better evaluate the proposals.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Robert Meyers, Executive Director

From: Haq, Mohammed I. (MDCR)
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2008 4:54 PM
To: Ethics (COE)
Subject: Pilot Project -Cost Analysis

Good afternoon,

I need your advice. A vendor approached and offered three months supplies and some equipment to use free of charge without any obligation as pilot project and for cost analysis. Is it ok to accept this vendor's offer?

Regards,

Mohammad Haq

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