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Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2015 9:12 AM
To: Sanchez, Rodzandra (COE)
Subject: Robert de la Fuente, Attorney (Cone of Silence) INQ 15-60
Attachments: Ethics Request.pdf; RTQ-00111 Award Letter.pdf

INQ 15-60

From: Ethics (COE)
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 3:47 PM
To: 'BdelaFuente@LSRCF.com'
Cc: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)
Subject: INQ - Robert de la Fuente, Attorney (Cone of Silence)

Bob,

You inquired regarding whether the County Cone of Silence has remained in effect following the completion of Bid No. RTQ-00111, a Request to Qualify issued by the County for pre-qualification on an RFQ that would subsequently be issued in connection with a contract concerning Bus Stop and Sign Post Access. The RTQ was advertised and a decision made to qualify certain applicants. Subsequently, there will be an advertisement for an RFP for this contract and a decision made to award the contract. Your inquiry comes upon the completion of the RTQ and prior to the advertisement of the RFQ. Under the County Cone of Silence Ordinance, Section 2-11.1(t) of the Miami-Dade County Code, the Cone is imposed upon advertisement of a procurement matter and is lifted upon the recommendation made to the final decision-making body. In this matter there appear to be two distinct phases wherein the Cone would be imposed for each. Once the RTQ was completed, the Cone lifted and communication with County officials would be permissible. Once the RFQ is advertised, the Cone will again be imposed until a recommendation for award is made. Accordingly, you or your client may communicate with County officials prior to the advertising of the RFQ.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Centorino
Executive Director and General Counsel
Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust

From: Bob de la Fuente [<mailto:BdelaFuente@LSRCF.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 12:32 PM
To: Ethics (COE)
Subject: Ethics Request

Please see attached.

Thank you,

Bob de la Fuente, P.A.

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Re: Ethics Opinion: Bid No. RTQ-00111: Bus Stop and Sign Post Access –Pre-qualification

Dear Mr. Centorino:

We request an ethics opinion regarding the above-referenced Request to Qualify (“RTQ”). The RTQ states, “Our provision of this notice also serves to confirm the lifting of the Cone of Silence from this procurement action as dictated by Section 2-11.1(t) of the County Code.” A copy of the award recommendation is included with this correspondence.

Please confirm whether the Cone of Silence is in effect regarding a future procurement that is related to the RTQ.

Sincerely,

/s/ Bob de la Fuente

Bob de la Fuente, PA
For the Firm

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