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INQ 01-44

From:

Salichs, Suzanne (Team Metro)

Sent:

Wednesday, October 31, 2001 12:12 PM

To:

Meyers, Robert (COE)

Subject:

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Thank you for your prompt response. Actually none of these organizations are located within our actual service area. I do have the responsibility for and do have authority to direct personnel to investigate. I have not and would certainly not treat complaints from anyone differently. At all times I exercise caution and will continue to do so. And if I need to call on you again, I hope you don't mind.

Again, thank you for your opinion. Take care.

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If you have any additional questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Robert

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Salichs, Suzanne (Team Metro) Tuesday, October 23, 2001 8:29 PM

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I just want to get your opinion that there was no conflict of interest or any ethical issue regarding my involvement.

Thank you Robert.

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