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**Sent:** Monday, March 31, 2003 4:59 PM  
**To:** Prkic, Christina (COE)  
**Cc:** Hyams, Ilene (GSA); Krause, Gayle (GSA)  
**Subject:** RE: Cone of Silence Question

Thanks Christina! I appreciate your help!

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**From:** Prkic, Christina (COE)  
**Sent:** Monday, March 31, 2003 4:53 PM  
**To:** Collins, William J. (ERD)  
**Subject:** RE: Cone of Silence Question

Hi Bill,

I reviewed this matter with our staff general counsel. According to your facts, after the job has been awarded, you are not prohibited under the Cone of Silence to notify the losing vendors.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any additional questions.

Best regards,  
Christina

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**From:** Collins, William J. (ERD)  
**Sent:** Monday, March 31, 2003 3:49 PM  
**To:** Prkic, Christina (COE)  
**Subject:** Cone of Silence Question

I am presently soliciting bids for a vendor to perform sign language interpreter work for approx. one hour this week. (There is no current sign language contract.) I plan to award the job to the low bid vendor who bid \$55/hr. Two others bid \$65/hr.

Question: Under the cone of silence, what can I tell the other vendors after the job has been awarded? Can I (or should I) notify the two losing vendors as to which vendor received the job and the amount of the low bid? Thanks for your help with this one!

-Bill

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