



February 13, 2008

Custodian of Records-Milwaukee Public Schools

Pursuant to Wisconsin Open records law section 19.31-19.39, I am requesting copies of the following records:

All invoices and/or other substantially similar financial records that document payments made by the Milwaukee Public School System to vendors or other suppliers of goods and/or services, both internal and external, for the calendar years 2006 & 2007. We are specifically looking for all such payment records that are stored in your electronic accounting system database. We would expect that these records can be retrieved quickly and cost-effectively using a custom query against your database and can be provided in a digital format as detailed in the attached specification.

We understand that there are potentially hundreds of thousands of payment records, so please respond in writing as to the possible time frame when this information could be made available. We are capable of providing technical and financial expertise to aid in the retrieval of the requested records. As provided by the Open Records law, I will expect your response as soon as practicable and without delay.

I will assume that if we do not hear from you by **Feb. 22, 2008** that you have denied this request.

If you choose to deny this request, please provide a written explanation for denial including a reference to the specific statutory exemption(s) upon which you rely. Also, please provide all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material.

Please be advised that we are prepared to pursue whatever legal remedy necessary to obtain access to the requested records.

I would note that a violation of the Open Records law could result in the award of court costs, attorney fee's and actual damages of not less than \$100. I would further note that if a court determines that your non-compliance with the law was arbitrary or capricious, it may award our organization punitive damages and attorney fees as well as fine you up to \$1,000.

Thank you in advance for your help. I can be reached at **414-429-9501** for any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Chris Kliesmet