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May 4, 2018

Thomas Neff
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Reference: W131998

Date Received: April 25, 2018

Dear Mr. Neff:

On behalf of the Custodian of Records for the Office of Public Finance, we are requesting an additional 10 business day extension. The additional time is necessary to search for and review the documents responsive to your request. The new due date will be May 18, 2018. If this process is completed sooner, you will be notified at that time.

If you do not agree to this extension, please send back a reply stating such. No response to this office, with regard to this extension, will be accepted as your approval.

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Sincerely,

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From: Neff, Tom
Sent: Saturday, May 19, 2018 1:18 PM
To: Treasury Government Records Access Unit
Cc: Shipley, Christine; Molimock, Michael R.; Emigholz, Christopher; Schnure, Bradley
Subject: RE: OPRA Request W131997-2002

Please be advised that the six requests for records above are intended to be made not only as requests pursuant to the Open Public Records Act, but pursuant to the common law right of access. The records are important to the requestor as part of its constitutionally authorized review of the Governor's proposed budget and as part of its constitutional duty to enact a budget by June 30, 2018.

From: Neff, Tom
Sent: Saturday, May 19, 2018 1:13 PM
To: Treasury Government Records Access Unit
Cc: Shipley, Christine; Molimock, Michael R.; Emigholz, Christopher; Schnure, Bradley
Subject: OPRA Request W131997-2002

In response to Treasury's request for an additional 10 days to provide public records in response to the OPRA requests noted above, please be advised that I, as the requestor on behalf of the Senate Minority Office, object to the extended delay in providing the requested documents.

These six requests were filed on April 25, 2018 and are part of the Senate Minority Office's review of the Governor's Proposed 2019 Budget. Under the new self-extended deadline, More than a month will have transpired without receipt of a single responsive document, despite many of the documents being readily available.

Following are examples of readily available public records that could have been timely provided in response to the 6 different requests: documents shared with rating agencies explaining the State's budget; answers to rating agencies' questions concerning same; bond underwriter bid evaluation documentation; and calculations purporting to show a publicly-claimed net present value savings with respect to the 2018 Tobacco Settlement Bonds.

The Senate Minority Office expects to receive responsive documents, including those mentioned above, that are readily available by close of business on Monday, May 21, so they can be reviewed prior to the budget hearing with the Treasurer the following day, with the balance of outstanding documents provided within the ten-day, self-provided, deadline extension.

If no documents are provided by close of business on Monday, May 21 the Senate Minority Office will consider appropriate legal action and may file additional OPRA requests in an attempt to more quickly obtain certain readily available documents that Treasury is failing to provide in a timely manner. Should a good faith effort be made to provide at least some of the requested documents, including those referenced above, additional requests and legal action will only be considered, if appropriate, after close of business of the ten-day self-granted extension.

Thomas Neff, Esq.,
Senate Minority

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