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VIA EMAIL: tim.kenny@nifa.org

Mr. Tim Kenny
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RE: Public Records Act Request

Dear Nebraska Investment Finance Authority:

Under the Nebraska Public Records Law, Neb. Rev. Stat 84-712 et seq (the “Public Records Act”), we are writing on behalf of our clients to request a copy of the records detailed below. We request the following records:

1. Copies of the complete project applications that were submitted for the first round in January of 2020 (“First Round Submittals”);

2. Copies of the final and individual scorer sheet for the projects in the First Round Submittals;

3. Copy of communications by and between members of the scoring committee First Round Submittals. This request excludes and communications sought that was made in seeking legal advice from Kutak Rock;

4. Copies of notes made and taken by members of the scoring committee for the First Round Submittals;

5. Copies of the complete project applications for project numbers 7-0894, 7-0847, 7-0937, 7-0945 along with “efficient housing scoring matrix”, scoring sheets”; and

6. Copy of the scoring matrix used to, in the First Round Submittals and the previous three rounds, score the “NIFA scored criteria” including but not limited to the “Efficient Housing Production”.

Please note that the Public Records Act allows a member of the public to request records by describing their content, rather than asking for specific documents by name; an agency that receives such a request must search for records based on criteria set forth in the search request.
This request applies to all records in your agency’s possession, including documents created by a member of another government agency or a member of the public. If specific portions of any documents are exempt from disclosure, please provide the non-exempt portions. Please provide entire documents, even if only parts of them are responsive to this request. If you maintain records or data in electronic format, please provide them in that same format (locked versions are acceptable) to avoid copying costs. If you are unable to reproduce electronic records in electronic form, please provide a reason for doing so.

The information requested will be used in the public interest to further the public’s understanding of the tax credit application process. None of the information obtained will be sold or distributed for profit. If you are unable to waive the copying fees, and you anticipate that these costs will exceed $50, or that the time needed to copy the records will delay their release, please contact us so that we can arrange to inspect the document or decide which documents we wish to have copied. Otherwise, please copy and send them as soon as possible.

Please, as required by Public Records Act, respond to this request within four business days, either by providing all the requested records or by providing a written response setting forth the legal authority for withholding or redacting any document and stating when the documents will be made available. Any clarification in identifying responsive documents or focusing this request.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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