December 20, 2013

Mr. Kevin Dayton

Dear Mr. Dayton,

On October 24, 2013, the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) received a Public Records Act request for several items. On November 4, 2013, the Authority sent you a determination letter invoking a 14 day extension under Government Code §6253(a) and that a new determination letter would be sent to you no later than November 18, 2013. On November 18, 2013, the Authority issued you a second determination letter agreeing to provide all responsive documents to you by December 20, 2013.

- “All records dated after January 1, 2012 concerning consideration, rejection, and approval from any federal or state agency for a Community Benefits Agreement/Project Labor Agreement and/or “Targeted Hiring Agreement” based on a similar agreement adopted at the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.”

- “All records dated after January 1, 2012 concerning evaluation or deliberation of the conditions, benefits, challenges, and negative impact of a Community Benefits Agreement/Project Labor Agreement.”

- “All records dated after January 1, 2012 referencing the Community Benefits Agreement/Project Labor Agreement in communications from, to, or citing the following individuals:
  a) Robbie Hunter (Current President, State Building and Construction Trades Council of California)
  b) Bob Balgenorth (Past President, State Building and Construction Trades Council of California and past board member, California High-Speed Rail Authority)
  c) Ashley Swearingen (Mayor of Fresno)
  d) Tom Richards (Chair of Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board and current board member, California High-Speed Rail Authority.)
  e) Lee Ann Eager (Economic Development Corporation serving Fresno County)
  f) Chuck Riojas (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers – IBEW)
  g) Blake Konczal (Executive Director, Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board, and Fresno Works Consortium)
  h) Ken Price (counsel for Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board)
  i) Michael Bernick (Applied Development Economics)
  j) Robert Padilla (Small Business Advocate, California High-Speed Rail Authority)”
• All records dated after November 1, 2012 referencing the Community Benefits Agreement/Project Labor Agreement in communications from, to, or citing the following individuals:
  a) Eric Christen (Coalition for Fair Employment in Construction)
  b) Nicole Goehring (Associated Builders and Contractors, Northern California Chapter)
  c) Kevin Dayton, Labor Issues Solutions, LLC”

• Any other records related to the Community Benefits Agreement/Project Labor Agreement.

Emails between Authority staff and lawyers from the Authority’s Legal Division are covered by attorney-client privilege under Evidence Code Section 954, and therefore are exempt from a Public Records Act and will not be provided.

Additional letters of assent regarding the Community Benefits Agreement can be found on the Authority’s website at http://www.hsr.ca.gov/Programs/Construction/community_benefits_agreement.html.

The amount of electronic records that are responsive to your request are too large to send via email. A CD-ROM with electronic records will be sent via U.S. Mail to your attention no later than December 20, 2013.

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Please contact the Public Records Act staff at [redacted] with any questions regarding this information.

Sincerely,

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