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December 27, 2023

VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Kirk Allen
Edgar County Watchdogs
[REDACTED]

**Re: City of Assumption FOIA Request Dated and Received
December 21, 2023**

Dear Mr. Allen:

I am legal counsel to the City of Assumption (“the City”), and I am writing to respond to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) request that you emailed to the Mayor of the City on December 21, 2023. The mayor passed the request along to the City’s FOIA officer, and it was received by the City on December 21, 2023.

The FOIA request seeks a copy of “any messages received pertaining to the water treatment operations that reference the current Hamas/Israel conflict and accuse the water district of aligning with Israel and elude to the fact that the infrastructure there is related to items produced in Israel.”

All documents in the possession, custody and control of the City responsive to the request are attached, consisting of two screenshots of a message received by the City, and a printed copy of your FOIA request.

To the extent that you dispute any part of this disclosure, please note that you have the right to file a review of said denial with the Public Access Counselor at: 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, or 217-558-0486. You also have the right to judicial review under Section 11 of the FOIA.

Yours truly,

[REDACTED]
Stephen F. Hedinger

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Enclosures

cc: City of Assumption

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Reply To:

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From: Derek Page <assumptionmayor@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2023 12:31 PM
To: Janet Waller; John Duncan; Stephen F. Hedinger; kirk@illinoisleaks.com
Subject: Fw: FOIA Request

FYI, I can see what I have Janet.

Derek

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Begin forwarded message:

On Thursday, December 21, 2023, 12:09 PM, Kirk Allen <Kirk@illinoisleaks.com> wrote:

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act of Illinois, I am requesting the following public records.

1. Copy of any messages received pertaining to the water treatment operations that reference the current Hamas/Israel conflict and accuse the water district of aligning with Israel and elude to the fact that the infrastructure there is related to items produced in Israel.

I request expedited processing on the basis of an urgency to inform the citizens and taxpayers of Illinois about their government's activities. If any element of this request is denied in whole or in part, I ask that you justify all withholdings individually by reference to specific exemptions of the Act. Please provide all responsive information to me electronically.

I request a rolling production of records, such that the public body furnishes records to my attention as soon as they are identified, preferably electronically, but as needed then to my attention, at the below address. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. Rolling production is not to be perceived as an agreement to extend the time frame for compliance under FOIA.

If you are not the FOIA officer responsible for any part of this request you are required by law to forward it to the appropriate FOIA officer.

The purpose of the request is to access and disseminate information regarding the legal rights of the general public and is not for the principal purpose of personal or commercial benefit.

As outlined in FOIA, documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the

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