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April 29, 2015

Sandra Fish
New Mexico In Depth
3760 Lakebriar Dr.
Boulder, CO 80304

SENT VIA EMAIL

Re: Public Records Request

Dear Ms. Fish:

On April 24, 2015, we received your letter requesting "...all contracts and payments related to state and federal lobbying on the council's behalf in 2014 and 2015, including but not limited to contracts and payments to Robert Smith and Charles Wollmann for lobbying and any other services provided to the New Mexico State Investment Council in 2014 and 2015, as well as information on any other expenses related to lobbying the legislature or federal government (for instance, if you have a governmental affairs staff member who performs lobbying duties, the name, title and annual salary of that individual)."

Pursuant to the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act (NMSA 1978, §14-2-1, et seq.), the State Investment Office has concluded that it has zero documents responsive to your request. To clarify, the SIC has had no involvement in federal legislation, and does not hire or pay any person to lobby the legislature in New Mexico. The SIC last paid a contract lobbyist in 2008.

A number of SIC employees have limited duties relating to the legislature of New Mexico. Charles Wollmann is the SIC's Director of Communications & Legislative Affairs. His duties include legislative analysis, production of fiscal impact reports and providing requested testimony to legislative committees. This work comprises a minor portion of his overall scope of duties. Other SIC employees who have testified at legislative hearings during the 2014, 2015 and interim sessions include: State Investment Officer Steve Moise, Deputy SIO Robert Smith, Chief Financial officer Brent Shipp, General Counsel Evan Land, and me. None of these employees are properly considered lobbyists, providing legislative testimony regarding agency performance and activity is a typical requirement for many employees at many state agencies. Although we do not believe any of the SIC's employees are lobbyists, if you are still interested, all state employee salaries can be found on the governor's website, employees.newmexico.gov.

We hope this information proves helpful to you, and barring any further clarification you might need, we now consider your request fulfilled and the matter closed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "B. Brown".

Bruce Brown
Deputy General Counsel
New Mexico State Investment Council