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Checking in on PRM data request of April 22, 2014

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Mon, Sep 29, 2014 at 3:08 PM

Hi Martiga,

I am writing to check on the status of my data request of April 22, 2014, a copy of which can be found at this link:

http://www.publicrecordmedia.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/MNGDPAMNDHS2014_pd_001.pdf

When we last corresponded about this request, you had noted that the request was still being reviewed by the DHS Privacy Office. Given that several months have passed since I first submitted the request, I would like to discuss a schedule for the inspection of individual components of my request, as a way to speed up the resolution of this matter.

I would like to suggest the following schedule for the inspection of responsive data:

1. **Inspect Item 1 data first.** I would note that Item 1 of my request is comprised entirely of procurement data classified as "public" under Minn. Stat. 13.591, and should not require review by the DHS privacy office. As a side note, Public Record Media recently sought such data from the Office of the Legislative Auditor (OLA), and received a data practices advisory opinion in our favor (#14-011) affirming the public nature of the data:

<http://www.ipad.state.mn.us/opinions/2014/14011.html>

I would suggest that such data can be collected for inspection first.

2. **Inspect Item 3 data next.** I would note that all reports (including drafts) referenced in Item 3 of my request would be presumptively public data under Chapter 13 of the Minnesota Statutes.

I would suggest that Item 3 data could be inspected simultaneously with Item 1 data, or soon thereafter.

3. **Inspect Item 2, 4, and 5 data last.** Data responsive to Items 2, 4, and 5 of my request could conceivably contain limited amounts of "not public" data that would require review by the DHS Privacy Office. I would suggest inspecting that data last, if the Privacy Office still needs time to complete its review. I would note, however, that

production of the data for the purposes of inspection must still occur within a "reasonable" time frame according to Chapter 13.

Please let me know your thoughts on this proposed schedule when you can. I am going to be out of the office tomorrow, returning on Wednesday.

Sincerely,

Matt Ehling

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