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IN REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

Mr. Robert Hallahan  
2830 Commerce Street  
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EP-1

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request**

Dear Mr. Hallahan:

On July 12, 2016, the Village of Elmwood Park received your Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*) ("FOIA") request for the following records:

"Reference CBBEL project no. 950253.00015 – Village of Elmwood Park Street Lighting Maintenance:

1. Copy of all invoices (complete with all details) to date which were submitted by Meade Electric, Inc..
2. Copy of all Meade Electric, Inc's – certified payrolls."

Please be advised that the Village of Elmwood Park has determined that your FOIA request is categorical in nature and that compliance with your FOIA request is unduly burdensome. The Village of Elmwood Park Street Lighting Maintenance Project with Meade Electric, Inc. began in 2014. The Village of Elmwood Park estimates that there are approximately 1,000 pages of records responsive to your FOIA request. Before providing you with these records, the Village of Elmwood Park must review such records to determine whether information contained therein is exempt from disclosure under Section 7 of FOIA. Due to the substantial amount of records responsive to your FOIA request, the time required to review the records responsive to your FOIA request would interfere with the daily operations of the Village of Elmwood Park.

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Due to the unduly burdensome nature of your FOIA request, the Village of Elmwood Park is extending you the opportunity to reduce the scope of your FOIA request to manageable proportions. Kindly contact the undersigned in writing or by telephone at (847) 318-9500 to discuss this matter and attempt to reduce your FOIA request to manageable proportions.

Sincerely,

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Please be advised that your FOIA request is denied pursuant to Section 3(g) of FOIA. Section 3(g) of FOIA provides that:

"Requests calling for all records falling within a category shall be complied with unless compliance with the request would be unduly burdensome for the complying public body and there is no way to narrow the request and the burden on the public body outweighs the public interest in the information. Before invoking this exemption, the public body shall extend to the person making the request an opportunity to confer with it in an attempt to reduce the request to manageable proportions."

On July 14, 2016, I sent you correspondence indicating that your FOIA request was categorical in nature and that compliance with your FOIA request was unduly burdensome. My July 14, 2016, correspondence stated that the Village of Elmwood Park estimates there to be approximately 1,000 pages of records responsive to your FOIA request that would need to be reviewed to ensure that information exempt from disclosure under Section 7 of FOIA was redacted from the records provided to you. Due to the substantial amount of records responsive to your FOIA

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request, my correspondence informed you the time required to review such records would interfere with the daily operations of the Village of Elmwood Park.

In accordance with Section 3(g) of FOIA, I extended to you the opportunity to discuss this matter and attempt to reduce the scope of your FOIA request to manageable proportions. As of today, July 21, 2016, you have not contacted our office or the Village of Elmwood Park to reduce the scope of your FOIA request to manageable proportions. Accordingly, your FOIA request is denied pursuant to Section 3(g) of FOIA.

The person responsible for the decision to deny a portion of your FOIA request is the Village of Elmwood Park Freedom of Information Officer, Gina Pesko. In accordance with Section 9(a) of FOIA, you are hereby notified that you have the right to file a Request for Review regarding the decision made by the Village of Elmwood Park Freedom of Information Officer with the Public Access Counselor at the Illinois Attorney General's Office. You can file your Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor by writing to:

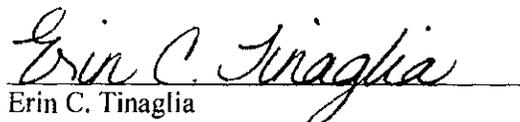
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If you choose to file a Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter. Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this letter when filing a Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor.

You are also notified that you have the right to judicial review regarding the decision made by the Village of Elmwood Park Freedom of Information Officer pursuant to Section 11 of FOIA.

Sincerely,

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