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North Carolina Department of Commerce
publicrecords@commerce.nc.gov

Re: Public Records Request regarding Efforts to Attract Data Centers to North Carolina

To Whom It May Concern,

Please be advised our firm represents NC WARN with respect to matters related to this request. Pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes, Chapter 132, we are seeking all documents in the custody, possession, or control of the North Carolina Department of Commerce ("NCDOC") relating in any way to efforts to attract, recruit, encourage, or otherwise promote the development, construction, or operation of Data Centers in North Carolina from 1/1/2022 to present.

As used herein, the term "communications" should be broadly construed to mean any communication, whether it be oral, electronic, or otherwise, including without limitation, emails, letters, memoranda, SMS or text messages, instant message, direct messages, messages transmitted through any application or platform (including social media), chats, telephone calls, video conferences, virtual meetings, meeting notes, agendas, or any substantially similar terms.

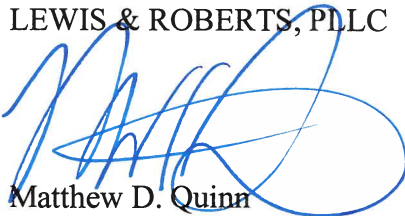
This request seeks all public records from 1/1/2022 to present concerning or reflecting:

1. Communications with actual or prospective data center developers, owners, operators, investors, or any public or private entity concerning data centers in North Carolina.
2. Communications with data center consultants, utilities, or economic development organizations involved in data-center recruitment or development in North Carolina.
3. Communications with any local government, state agency, or public agency concerning data centers in North Carolina.
4. Communications, activities, or other efforts to recruit, solicit, attract, encourage, or facilitate the location of a data center or data center campus in North Carolina.

5. Communications sufficient to identify any tax exemptions, tax credits, grants, subsidies, incentives, rebates, assistance, or other financial or non-financial benefits offered, proposed, or discussed with data centers or prospective data centers in North Carolina.
6. Records sufficient to identify the anticipated or actual economic, fiscal, tax, employment, energy, water, infrastructure, environmental, or other impacts of attracting or developing data centers in North Carolina.
7. Records sufficient to identify any data center company or prospective data center company that has been contacted, solicited, or otherwise engaged by the NCDOC or on its behalf.
8. Records sufficient to identify any amounts of public funds or other governmental resources, spent, allocated, budgeted, or otherwise incurred in connection with any efforts to attract, recruit, encourage, or otherwise promote the development, construction, or operation of Data Centers in North Carolina.
9. Records sufficient to identify any actual or prospective data center project, including records reflecting the proposed or actual location, size, investment, employment, energy consumption, water consumption, infrastructure requirements, incentives, governmental commitments, anticipated economic impact, or other material characteristics of such projects.
10. Communications sufficient to identify any of the above-mentioned subjects involving the NCDOC, NCDOC staff, NCDOC advisors, NCDOC policy staff, or any other NCDOC personnel.

Please contact me with any questions about this request. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,
LEWIS & ROBERTS, PLLC



Matthew D. Quinn

Cc: Jim Warren, Executive Director of NC WARN
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