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Hello,

The Kingfish Project is seeking comment on the cooperative endeavor agreement between the England Economic and Industrial Development District and The LaSalle Family Foundation, as well as the related intergovernmental services agreement with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

The CEA makes EEIDD the federal contractor while assigning LaSalle responsibility for daily operations, staffing, medical services, reporting, and records. It gives EEIDD and its designated agents the right to inspect the premises with 24 hours' written notice, but it does not expressly provide EEIDD with an audit right over LaSalle's operating books.

Several people involved in the matter have told us they have been unable to obtain a copy of the executed IGSA. The Kingfish Project has obtained a draft copy, which is attached, and intends to report based on that document unless the executed agreement is provided. Please provide a copy of the executed IGSA and identify any material differences between it and the attached draft.

1. Which EEIDD official(s) reviewed and approved the final IGSA before it was signed? **Upon receipt of the IGSA from DHS / ICE, the agreement was reviewed by members of the EEIDD administration, including the Executive Director and Deputy Director.**
2. Multiple EEIDD board members have told representatives of The Kingfish Project that they have not seen the final IGSA and have been unable to obtain a copy in their capacity as board members. Has the final IGSA been made available to all board members? If not, why not? **The EEIDD is unaware of any Commissioner being denied the ability to view the IGSA. The IGSA has been made available, and remains available for review by each Commissioner.**
3. Who prepares and signs the invoices submitted to ICE, and which account receives the federal payments? **Invoices for services provided under the IGSA are compiled by the EEIDD in coordination with LaSalle Family Foundation through a separate Cooperative Endeavor Agreement, and submitted to ICE. Payments from ICE are electronically transferred to the EEIDD. For financial security, the specific EEIDD account number will not be disclosed.**
4. What procedures will EEIDD use to verify LaSalle's staffing, incident, wage, medical, and performance records? **Both the IGSA with DHS/ICE and the CEA between the EEIDD and LaSalle Family Foundation provide for the required reporting protocols.**
5. What administrative fee, reimbursement, or other funding does EEIDD receive for serving as the federal contractor and overseeing LaSalle's performance? **Under the CEA with LaSalle Family Foundation, the EEIDD receives rent payment for the three properties subject to the CEA, as follows:**

10-acre ground lease: \$1,333,040.16 over the initial five-year term.

Building 1103: \$1,003,018.40 over the initial five-year term.

Building 1205: \$708,896.88 over the initial five-year term.

6. What is EEIDD's plan and estimated cost if ICE terminates the IGSA and operations must transition to the Authority? The authority of the EEIDD to operate the Airpark Staging Center is through the IGSA. In the event the IGSA is terminated by either party, operation of the Airpark Staging Center will cease on the effective date of termination.

7. Has EEIDD notified its insurers, insurance broker, or risk adviser that it is becoming the federal contractor responsible to ICE for the facility? If so, when was that notice provided, and did EEIDD receive confirmation that its existing coverage applies to the IGSA, including operational failures, PREA claims, medical incidents, staffing violations, federal penalties, and repayment or clawback demands? The EEIDD's insurance coverage provider is aware of the operation of the Airpark Staging Center under the IGSA, as well as the CEA between the EEIDD and LaSalle Family Foundation providing for the operational responsibilities of the Airpark Staging Center and indemnification of the EEIDD in the event one of the above-referenced claims is made related to the operation of the Airpark Staging Center.

Please respond by Wednesday, August 26, at 12:00 p.m. CDT. We will note any unanswered questions and update the story if a response arrives after publication.

Thank you,

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The Kingfish Project