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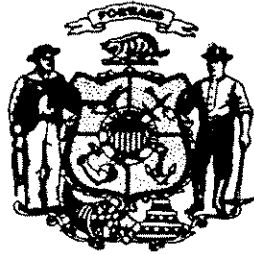
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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

November 17, 1993


James R. Klauser, Secretary
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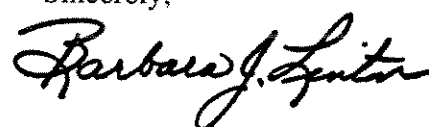
Dear Secretary Klauser:

We have reviewed the request, contained in your October 26, 1993 correspondence, by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee to upgrade its mainframe computer. It is our understanding that the price for the requested computer upgrade has not dropped to the projected cost indicated in the request (\$160,000); current estimated cost of this upgrade is between \$250,000 and \$260,000. An alternate to the above is older IBM technology, in the form of an IBM 3090-200E, which would also meet the campus' computing needs. According to officials at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, the estimated purchase cost of such an upgrade is between \$70,000 and \$90,000.

It is unfortunate that the approval process under s. 16.971 (3) of the statutes only notifies the Joint Committee of Finance of the proposed purchase of a computer which the Department of Administration considers major, without the Department including any specific recommendation. Because we do not wish to delay the needed acquisition of the computer, no meeting of the Committee will be scheduled under the condition that the cost of the computer acquisition does not exceed the requested limit of \$160,000. In addition, we request that the Committee be notified of final action on this matter by your office.

If you have additional questions, please contact our offices.


JOE LEEAN
Senate Chair

Sincerely,

BARBARA J. LINTON
Assembly Chair

JL/BJL/ns

November 9, 1993

TO: Senator Joseph Leean, Senate Chair
Representative Barbara J. Linton, Assembly Chair

FROM: Bob Lang, Director
Legislative Fiscal Bureau

SUBJECT: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Computer Upgrade Request

In a letter dated October 26, 1993, the Department of Administration notified you of a request by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee to upgrade its mainframe computer to meet current demands at an estimated cost not to exceed \$160,000 GPR.

Under s. 16.971(3) of the statutes, the Secretary of the Department of Administration is required to notify the Joint Committee on Finance in writing of the proposed acquisition of any computing resource that the Department considers major, that was not considered in the regular budgeting process, and is to be financed from general purpose revenues (GPR). The Committee has 14 working days, after which it was notified of the Secretary's recommendation, to schedule a meeting to review the request. Therefore, if no meeting is scheduled by November 17, 1993, the Department may approve the request.

The request, originally proposed by the campus in May, 1993, is to replace its existing IBM 3081K mainframe computer with a used IBM or IBM compatible computer at the level of an IBM 3090-180J. The projected cost of such a computer on the used market was between \$140,000 and \$160,000. The computer upgrade is needed to provide the campus with an acceptable response time for their online student information system at their next peak period in January, 1994. The campus has a peak processing period at the beginning of each semester. The next projected computer upgrade is estimated to occur in January, 1998.

Since the time of the request, however, UW-Milwaukee found that the price for an used IBM 3090-180J has not dropped to the projected cost indicated in the request; current estimated cost of this upgrade is between \$250,000 and \$260,000. An alternative to the above is older IBM technology, in the form of an IBM 3090-200E, which would meet the campus' computing needs. Current estimated purchase cost is between \$70,000 and \$90,000, with higher maintenance costs (not specified). UW-Milwaukee has currently released a bid to determine the actual cost and

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perform a final cost analysis. Pending Joint Finance and Department of Administration approval, the campus still expects to install the computer upgrade in December.

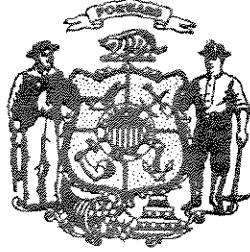
It should be noted that none of the changes to the original request noted above are indicated in the October 26, 1993 letter.

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cc: Members

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

October 27, 1993

TO: JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE MEMBERS

FROM: Senator Joe Leean
Representative Barbara J. Linton
Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Finance

Attached is a copy of a request from the Department of Administration dated October 26, 1993 pertaining to a request from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Please review this item and notify Senator Leean's office not later than Friday, November 12, 1993 if you have any concerns about the request or would like the Committee to meet formally to consider it.

Also, please contact us if you need additional information.

JL:BJL:ns

Attachments

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October 26, 1993

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The Honorable Barbara Linton, Co-Chair
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Dear Senator Leraan and Representative Linton:

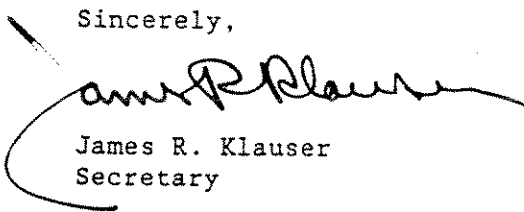
Under provisions of s. 16.971(3), when an agency proposes to acquire any computing resource which the Department considers major, which was not considered in the normal budget process, and is funded from GPR or SEG revenues, the secretary must notify the Committee in writing of the proposed purchase. If the co-chairs do not schedule a meeting to review the proposed acquisition within 14 working days, the Department of Administration may approve the acquisition.

Consistent with this section, a proposal by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee to upgrade a mainframe computer is transmitted for your consideration. While the complete details of this procurement are contained in the copy of this memo sent to the Legislative Fiscal Bureau, it can be noted that the upgrade cost is estimated not to exceed \$160,000 GPR and that the acquisition is consistent with the University System's long term information technology plan.

If no meeting is scheduled to review this request, it will be approved on Wednesday, November 17, 1993.

Should you have specific questions about this proposed acquisition, please call Bill Braham at 267-0625.

Sincerely,



James R. Klauser
Secretary

cc: Bob Lang