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To:

Jen Cooper, State Ethics Director

From:

Alecia Nafziger, Associate Commissioner and CFO

Date:

April 25, 2019

Subject:

Gift Rule Waiver - Ken Sauer

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Name of Recipient: Dr. Ken Sauer

Title of Recipient: Senior Associate Commissioner and Chief Academic Officer

Brief Description of Item Solicited, Accepted or Received and approximate value of item: Reimbursement for travel expenses (mileage, meals not included) to MHEC Retreat in Minneapolis

Date of Receipt/Travel: 05/16/19

Name of Donor: Midwestern Higher Education Compact

Donor's Address: 105 Fifth Avenue South, Suite 450; Minneapolis, MN 55401

**Nature of Business Relationship with Agency**: Indiana is a member of the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC), a non-profit organization, legislatively created, whose purpose is to provide greater higher education opportunities and services in the Midwestern region. As a member of MHEC, Indiana pays dues to the organization, and Dr. Sauer currently serves as the Chair of the Executive Committee.

State why acceptance is in the public interest: MHEC allows the State of Indiana to engage with other member states and regional compacts in higher education research and policy analysis. MHEC saves the State of Indiana money thorough its contract negotiations and facilitates groups from across the member states to advance initiatives such as the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement and Midwest Student Exchange Program. MHEC also facilitates committees in the areas of technology, military credit, open educational resources, and environmental sustainability.

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