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December 12, 2022

Mr. Jeffrey S. Thompson Solicitor General Attorney General's Office Hoover Bldg. LOCAL

Dear Mr. Thompson:

The Executive Council, in a meeting held this date, approved your request to retain special counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.7 to provide specialized legal services and representation to the Iowa Grain Indemnity Fund Board with respect to claims asserted in a bankruptcy matter, *In re Pipeline Foods*, Case No. 21-11002, pending in Delaware.

Firm: Bielli & Klauder LLC

1204 N. King Street Wilmington, DE 19801

Rate: Fees and associated costs of litigation will by paid by the board and will

range from \$225 to \$400 per hour

If you have any questions on the matter, please advise.

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Sincerely,

Victoria Newton Executive Secretary