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Victoria Newton
Executive Secretary
Executive Council
State Capitol
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Re: Payment of Claims for Fees by Special Counsel

Dear Victoria:

Our office is forwarding to the Executive Council approval for payment of attorney fees in the amount of \$460.00 for legal services regarding patent issues for the Iowa Department of Human Services. Because our office does not have staff with expertise, the State has retained, Brown, Koehn, Shors & Roberts, P.C., to perform similar work for a number of state agencies.

The amount of the claim appears to be reasonable. We have reviewed both the billing and the Services Agreement and recommend payment. Pursuant to the terms of the contract, payment should be made from the funds of the Department of Transportation and not from the General Fund.

Sincerely,

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Solicitor General