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October 10, 2008

Mr. Louis Wright  
Administrator of Finance  
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Dear Louis,

We should not have this many problems getting information from the WWTA, especially since what we are asking for is public record. It seems we run into the same problem every time we ask them for something. You should be able to send us the copies of all their legal bills, which are public record, immediately, without hesitation. As Chairman of the Legal Committee I am asking that you send them to me as soon as possible, before the Commission Meeting on Wednesday, October 15, 2008.

These requests are things that should not be kept from the Commission, or the public, even if Henry Hoss threatens to move their billing to somewhere else. The things we are asking for are public record and if they do not want to comply, we should remove Mr. Hoss.

Please get the request together and send to the Commission Office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Allen Brooks".

John Allen Brooks  
District Six Commissioner

JAB/csc

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Mr. Henry Hoss  
Chairman  
Hamilton County Water-Wastewater Authority Board  
5751 Uptain Road  
Chattanooga, TN 37411

VIA E-MAIL:henry@bartohoss.com / ORIGINAL BY MAIL

Re: Request for information

Dear Mr. Hoss:

I have been instructed by members of the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners (Commission) to request of the Hamilton County Water-Wastewater Treatment Authority Board (WWTA) that the following information be provided to the undersigned for forwarding on to the Commission:

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I would hope that since the WWTA was created by and receives some of its funding from the Commission, this request would not have to specifically invoke the provisions of the Tennessee Public Records Act (Tennessee Code Annotated Section 10-7-401, et seq.). Nevertheless, should my hopes be misplaced, I would expect your compliance to this request within the seven (7) days as provided by said statute.

I look forward to your prompt response and compliance.

Very truly yours,

Rheubin M. Taylor

Cc: Hamilton County Commissioners  
County Mayor Claude Ramsey

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To: Matt Wilson, News Free Press

From: Carolyn Collins

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Subject: Info from Senior Commissioner Adams

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Notes/Comments

Please read the attached info from Senior Commissioner Adams.  
Please call him if you have any questions.

Thank you,  
Carolyn  
209-7205

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Rheubin Taylor, Hamilton County Attorney

**FROM:** Curtis D. Adams, Senior Commissioner

**DATE:** October 17, 2008

**SUBJ:** WWTA Legal Bills

The report I received today from Henry Hoss of the WWTA pertaining to the legal bills for John Anderson contains 92 pages with 313 entries marked out with a magic marker. Only the date remains that is readable. Also, the months of August and September of 2008, have been omitted entirely.

With 313 entries marked out with a magic marker, there is an average of 3.4 entries per page marked out. The report is useless. I do not understand why this information is so difficult to obtain.

As the Senior Commissioner, I have gone through many years of requesting information from lots of different sources, but I don't remember ever having this much trouble getting information. Rheubin, it raises suspicion - is someone trying to deceive us?

CDA/csc

cc: Hamilton County Commission

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