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FROM: RUSS INBODY, DENISE THEGE
DATE: MAY 29, 2013
SUBJECT: NOTICE OF CONTRACTS WITH PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

RATIONALE: The Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission has interpreted Nebraska Statute Sec. 49-14,102 to require the Department to disclose, prior to the starting date of the contract, the contracting of services which exceed \$2,000 and which are with an employee of any public agency or a public official, a member of that individual's immediate family, or a business with which that individual is associated. The contractors noted below fall under the definition of 49-14,102 and has a contract which exceeds this dollar limit.

1. Contractor(s): Ann Bird
Contract Amount: \$14,200
Scope of Services: Assist with the Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) and Speech/Language consultation.
Date of Contract: 7/1/13-6/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Spouse is the Chair of the Educational Telecommunications Commission.
2. Contractor(s): Marilyn Peterson
Contract Amount: \$80,100
Scope of Services: Serve as Assistant Commissioner.
Date of Contract: 7/1/13-6/30/14 or when the next Commissioner begins work
Public Employee Relationship: Marilyn is a graduate lecturer at UNK.
3. Contractor(s): Kim Larson
Contract Amount: \$6,000
Scope of Services: Travel expenses.
Date of Contract: 8/1/13-7/31/14
Public Employee Relationship: Kim is an employee of Papillion-LaVista Public Schools and part time co-director, Nebraska Writing Project through UNL.
4. Contractor(s): Lincoln/Lancaster County Health Department
Contract Amount: \$3,500
Scope of Services: Send participant to the RBI Certification Institute in order to provide RBI training/coaching in Nebraska.
Date of Contract: 7/12/13-7/22/13
Public Employee Relationship: Judith Halstead, Health Director, of Lincoln/Lancaster County Health Department, is married to Brian Halstead, Assistant Commissioner of Nebraska Department of Education.
5. Contractor(s): Aaron Chambers
Contract Amount: \$3,000
Scope of Services: Translate the Early Childhood Literacy Calendar into Spanish.
Date of Contract: 6/7/13-12/31/13
Public Employee Relationship: Aaron is a lecturer at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.