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September 24, 2025

Malik Stelly

RE: Public Record Matter Involving Douglas County Communications

Our File No. 20251111

Dear Mr. Stelly:

This letter is in response to your petition received by this office on September 15, 2025, in which you sought our assistance in obtaining certain records from Douglas County Communications (DCC). We forwarded a copy of your petition to Deputy County Attorney William E. Rooney III upon receipt and requested a response, which we received on September 18. We considered this matter under the Nebraska Public Records Statutes (NPRS), Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 84-712 through 84-712.09 (2024).

According to your petition, you sent a public records request to DCC by certified U.S. Mail on July 21, 2025. Your request sought "all records from SST Inc., also known at [sic] 'Shotspotter' for the dates of January 10, 2017 and January 11, 2017." USPS tracking indicates DCC received your letter on July 25. You received no response from DCC, however. You followed up with another letter sent by certified mail on August 19, 2025, which was delivered to DCC on August 25, 2025 per USPS tracking. Again, you received no response.

Mr. Rooney informs us that DCC did not receive your first letter but did receive the follow up letter, and processed your request. Responsive records were placed in the mail on or about September 11, 2025.

Since you now have or will soon receive the records which formed the basis for your petition, no further action by this office is necessary and we are closing this file. However, we will take this opportunity to remind DCC personnel, by sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Rooney, that a response to a written request for public records must be

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provided to the requester no later than <u>four business days</u> after actual receipt of the request. If additional time is needed to fulfill the request, information concerning the delay must be conveyed to the requester in accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-712(4).

Sincerely,

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c: William E. Rooney III (via email only)

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