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January 24, 2022

Mr. Jeffrey S. Thompson  
Solicitor General  
Attorney General's Office  
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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 State of Iowa with respect to a dispute related to the administration of the Master Settlement Agreement with Participating Tobacco Product Manufacturers.

Firm: Paoli & Leisher PC  
257 W Front Street  
Missoula, MT 5902

Rate: The proposed contingent fee arrangement would start at 15% of the actual recovery rather than the 25% permitted by law and otherwise track the provisions of Iowa Code Chapter 23B. In addition, Special Counsel will advance the costs of litigation.

Firm: Morgan & Morgan Complex Litigation Group PLLC  
76 S Laura St  
Suite 1200  
Jacksonville, FL 32202

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Victoria Newton".

Victoria Newton  
Executive Secretary