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Subject: BECKY LAKOWSKE ANNEXATION

Section 66.0217 (6), Wis. Stats., provides that the annexation of lands to cities and villages within a county having a population of 50,000 or more shall be reviewed by the Department of Administration in order to determine if the proposed annexation is in the public interest or against the public interest. The proposed annexation from the Town of CAMPBELL to the City of LA CROSSE (see attached description) must be reviewed pursuant to the statute.

To assist us in making this determination, we urge that you promptly supply the data requested on the enclosed questionnaire (where possible) and return the questionnaire to the department.

The purpose of this questionnaire is to assist the department in determining "Whether the governmental services, including zoning, to be supplied to the territory could clearly be better supplied by the town...."

The statute further stipulates that the department shall study the "shape of the proposed annexation and the homogeneity of the territory with the annexing municipality." In addition, we would appreciate receiving from you any comments or information bearing on governmental services or shape and homogeneity that would indicate whether the annexation is in or against the public interest.

Please return the questionnaire as soon as possible so that the information can be reviewed prior to the department's statutory deadline of April 23, 2014. Direct any questions and comments to Erich Schmidtke at (608) 264-6102. Thank you for your cooperation.

For additional information on annexation or other land use issues, visit our web site at http://doa.wi.gov/municipalboundaryreview/.

Sincerely,

Erich Schmidtke

Enclosures

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