

Subject: RE: Padding

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Dear Mr. Benn;

Please re-send this message to me, I am unable to open the full document.

From the limited document I have been able to read, I understand that you feel you have been overcharged. As I had stated to you in an earlier email, if we find we had over charged you, we would provide a refund. I am meeting my staff to determine if that is the case. Please resend you email so that I have the complete document. I will advise you this week of our determination.

I can assure you that there was no "padding" of your estimate. The estimate was made in good faith.

Thank you.

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From: Frank Benn [mailto:11-17@nsfd.net]

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Dear Commissioners:

Given that you continue to ignore the increased risk to our firefighters and the people they serve and all of my emails and questions, this is probably a futile effort.

However, the Michigan Freedom of Information Act requires that I first submit any complaints to the “head of the public body” before submitting the matter to the judgment of a court.

I respectfully request reimbursement at the rate of \$1.59 per page for 733 pages of what I have termed “padding”, as detailed below. That figure is based on total charges of \$2,826.29 for an alleged 1,776 copies of documents. I will accept a check for \$1165.47 as your first act of good ethics in this matter as long as it’s before I have to pay my counselors more than the initial retainer.

The “Padding”

According to his time charts, Mr. Robert Jerman, spent about 60 hours searching/reviewing and about 6 hours duplicating the box of documents that were provided to me by Ms. McAvoy. The packages of documents contained the following:

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