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Comments: Per our phone conversation
① e-mail of 11/19/03 prior to meeting where Dave says he's uncertain why Cotten wants to meet
Thanks it is consumer issue
② Perry's summary e-mail after the meeting to his supervisor

Lucina, Percy W.

From: Foley, David W.
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2003 12:22 PM
To: Singer, Lynn B.
Cc: Lucina, Percy W.; Roth, Peggy A.
Subject: Cedar Park Cemetery—Slyvy Edmonds Cotton Meeting

Lynn,

Per our prior discussion concerning Chicago Burr Oak, Ms. Slyvy Edmonds Cotton will be arriving in Chicago at 12:15 PM at O'Hare. Her assistant Liz in Arizona has communicated with me today that Slyvy should be arriving at the IOC at approximately 2:00 p.m. maybe sooner.

I am uncertain if her request to meet with me concerns a consumer case I have been working on. Perpetua has not been specific as to why they want to meet with me.

I appreciate your presence in the meeting, and without me having an office, using your accommodations. I don't think sitting in a cubicle would be desirable for Slyvy.

I am making copies of the complaint of which this meeting could be about for your review.

I am making copies...

Thanks,

Dave

-----Original Message-----

From: Lucina, Percy W.
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2003 3:42 PM
To: Singer, Lynn B.
Cc: Mayer, Allen; Foley, David W.
Subject: Perpetua Corp., Burr Oak Cemetery

Lynn,

This is an update on our meeting with Slivy Cotton, CEO, Perpetua Corp., who owns Bur Oak Cemetery and Cedar Park Cemetery. The reason for her meeting yesterday was simply for guidance/advice from our office re: construction plans for Burr Oak Cemetery.

The main problem they are encountering is the discovery of human remains while they were in the process of cleaning/excavating a portion of land where the majority of their construction will occur. Before they proceed any further, they would like us to enlighten them on their next step in the process.

Since this sounds complicated and may have some legal implications we mentioned to her that we would follow up with her after we discussed this issue with our legal staff. Please let me know if you need any further information and we can discuss this on Monday as I am out of the office tomorrow.

Thanks,
Percy

Ms. Slivy Cotton
Perpetua Inc.
3430 E. Sunrise Drive, Suite 160
Tucson, AZ. 85718
Ph: 520.615.1227
Fax: 520.577.7295

Dear Ms. Cotton:

I am writing in response to our meeting with you in November regarding the discovery of human remains at Burr Oak Cemetery.

The Cemetery Care division of the Office of the Comptroller only handles the licensure and regulation of cemeteries and those businesses (usually cemeteries and funeral homes) selling pre-need merchandise and services throughout the state, however, we would like to provide you with additional resources for your request to excavate and/or build.

Since this cemetery is possibly over 100 years old, we suggest you contact the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency. It is possible that this agency may grant you permission to proceed, this Office cannot do so. If not done so already, you should also contact the ICFHA for further guidance. The following is contact information:

Illinois Historic Preservation Agency
Preservation Services
#1 Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield IL 62701-1507
Phone: 217-785-4512

Illinois Cemetery and Funeral Home Association
PO Box 643
Homewood IL 60430-8643
Phone: 866-758-7731

We hope this information is helpful to you. If you need additional information please contact our office at 877-203-3401.

Sincerely,

Percy W. Lucina
Deputy Director, CCBT
Illinois Office of the Comptroller

CC: Lynn Singer
David Foley