Dear Ms. Schaefer:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on Nov. 4, 2013.

You have requested “1. A list of all school bus drivers by name and by bus company, who took the annual refresher training in 2012 and 2013 in Cook County. The listing should be for those individuals currently transporting students to and from schools within Illinois, as certified by the Regional Office of Education Program’s School Bus Driver Training or a third party tester, and the Illinois Department of Motor Vehicles. Please also include the corresponding home zip code of school bus drivers that completed this training. 2. A list of all school bus drivers, by name and by bus company who were given their initial training in 2012 and 2013 in Cook County. The listing should be for those individuals currently transporting students to and from schools within Illinois, as certified by the Regional Office of Education Program’s School Bus Driver Training or a third party tester, and the Illinois Department of Motor Vehicles. Please also include the corresponding home zip code of school bus drivers that completed this training.”

The attached document, 14-140-schaefer-doc.xls, is provided in response to your request. Please note that our agency does not have information regarding whether drivers who took the initial or refresher courses are still employed with the same district or company currently. Our system only contains their last employer as of the training date. Additionally, we do not collect the home zip codes for drivers.

If you have questions, please contact Amanda Simhauser at (21) 782-4648 or asimhaus@isbe.net.

Sincerely,

Matt Vanover
Director of Public Information

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