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To: [Bussey, Demetrius](#); [Gaug, Anna](#); [Delanko, Valarie](#)
Cc: [Black, Melissa](#); [MacGibbon, Chris](#); r.ramachandran@perkinseastman.com
Subject: RE: FAI 17-051 - SF 271 Submission
Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 9:30:04 AM

I've had log-in access to MAX for quite a few years, and have never had any problem accessing anything that I am aware of until recently. However, you don't know what you don't know and maybe I never had complete access. Who do I need to ask to be sponsored?

From: Bussey, Demetrius <Demetrius.Bussey@va.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 9:00 AM
To: Diehl, Gwen <Gwen.Diehl@Illinois.Gov>; Gaug, Anna <Anna.Gaug@va.gov>; Delanko, Valarie <Valarie.Delanko@va.gov>
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You would need to be sponsored in. Have you ever had access to max?

From: Diehl, Gwen <Gwen.Diehl@Illinois.Gov>
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How do I gain access? If I don't have access, how can I submit the SF271s and/or other documents?

From: Bussey, Demetrius <Demetrius.Bussey@va.gov>
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Hi Gwen,

Please see attached. I also included my response to the other email you sent regarding this issue. FAI 17-051 is listed in max. It looks like it is an access issue.

From: Diehl, Gwen <Gwen.Diehl@Illinois.Gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 2, 2023 5:22 PM

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Demetrius and USDVA Team,

Connie Watson has left the Illinois Department of Illinois and there is no replacement in her position. I, Gwen Diehl, retired from State employment on December 31, 2022 and am currently serving a 75-day contract until a replacement can be recruited for my position vacancy.

It has come to my attention that the SF 271 prepared for Project 17-051 prior to my departure may not have been submitted for payment and I need your assistance.

When I went into MAX.GOV for our projects (FAI 17-###), FAI 17-051 is no longer listed in “Select Project to Upload Documentation” and the Project Checklists – Active Applications shows “FAI 17-051: Updated checklist (DEFERRED)”. Illinois submitted the Request for conditional Approval on September 2, 2021 and we completed the required submissions, therefore this status should have been cleared at that time. The MOA was signed by Steven L Lieberman, M.D., Deputy Under Secretary for Health on 6-8-2022 and USDVA issued the final grant letters to Illinois Department of Veterans’ Affairs Director Terry Prince and Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker on that same date.

Subsequently, the Illinois Team, consisting of Illinois Department of Veterans’ Affairs Grants Manager, Connie Watson, Illinois Capital Development Board Project Manager, Chris MacGibbon, and A/E Project Manager, Ramu Ramachandran, and received your approval of the DRAFT SF 271. However, prior to having the opportunity to submit the signed request for reimbursement, MAX.GOV link for submitting documents to the project was removed from the “Grant Application Status ILLINOIS 17-000” page.

Please provide information and instructions concerning the correct procedure for uploading documentation to this project.

Thank you for your assistance.

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