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Mr. Nate Carlisle  
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Dear Mr. Carlisle,

This correspondence is in response to your letter of January 30, 2007, requesting information on drug testing of Iowa State University student-athletes.

During prior emails with you, I suggested there could be a fee for collecting this information. That suggestion was made because it was difficult to project how many hours of work or pages of information would be included in our response. Upon further inspection, I learned that the volume of information would be significantly reduced because there was no bidding process for these services (as the dollar amount does not require it according to our purchasing regulations). As you may know, bids for intricate service contracts can run more than 20 pages each. Thus, I am waiving the previously discussed fees for collection of this information.

Here is the information you requested:

**Positive tests**

2004 – 8  
2005 – 6  
2006 – 6  
2007 – 0

We have listed only cumulative annual totals of positive tests because privacy laws do prevent us from identifying specific student-athletes, who tested positive.

**Frequency of testing**

Approximately 30% of the student-athletes on each of Iowa State's 18 teams are tested in both the fall and spring semesters. Random drug tests are conducted a minimum of eight times annually. That level of test frequency has been conducted for each of the four years you requested information for. Individual testing dates are not included in this response because

we didn't want to risk our pattern of testing to become public as it could compromise the effectiveness of our random testing procedures.

**Punishment**

Our drug testing policy and its associated penalty structure is enclosed. Student-athletes, who tested positive, were sanctioned according to this policy.

**Budget for drug testing program**

Our FY07 budget line for drug testing is \$11,165. The actual expenses for the years requested are as follows: FY04 \$3,756; FY05 \$12,095 and FY06 \$10,445.

**Audits or reports**

In consultation with our Assistant AD for Compliance, Head Athletic Trainer and legal affairs office on campus, we are unaware of any audits or reports on drug testing of athletes.

**Contract with current vendor**

Enclosed

**Information associated at time of bid process**

As noted earlier, our Athletics Department did not bid these services as the cost did not require bidding per our state / campus purchasing regulations. Iowa State University has used the National Center as its vendor for each of the years you inquired about. That organization handles drug testing for the NCAA and a majority of peer institutions.

Thank you for your interest in Iowa State University Athletics.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve Malchow". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Steve Malchow

Senior Associate Athletics Director