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Valerie J. Kovach
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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order:
Southern Oregon University Records

Dear Ms. Kovach:

On March 12, 2008, we received your letter seeking a public record in the custody of Southern Oregon University (SOU). Specifically, you are seeking a copy of results from mold testing conducted in a dorm room at SOU. You indicate that you have made a number of requests for this document. In general, the Public Records Law confers a right to inspect any public records of a public body in Oregon, subject to certain exemptions and limitations. *See* ORS 192.420. Any person denied the right to inspect or receive a public record of a state agency may petition the Attorney General to determine whether the record must be disclosed. ORS 192.450(1). We treat your letter as such a petition.

We deny your petition because it is now moot. After consultation with our office, Craig Morris, the Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration at SOU, has informed Assistant Attorney General Rob Connell that SOU will provide you with a copy of the requested record. SOU will be in touch with you shortly to describe how you may receive a copy of the record and explain any applicable public records fee.

Sincerely,

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c: Elizabeth Sunitsch, SOU