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**Geode Technologies Inc.**  
**Prospective Request for a Watchdog Service Contract**

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**Dear prospective client and/or interested party:**

If you would like to discuss your specific investigative proposal, a free 30 minutes info session is available. Here, service availability is described in general detail and then personalized options can be discussed with your input/negotiation in agreeing on a quote for service. Fees do vary and a sliding scale is available.



Outline **here in an email or request** a face-to-face meeting what you propose to be examined.

Ideally this should include the nature of your inquiry, the detail of the research request—i.e. your actual 'goal'—and along with that any investigatory questions *you* think at this time you have already decided upon. The opportunity exists to discuss all options without you having to make a commitment for contractual service right at the outset.

Equally full confidence of discretion will be assured.

**Geode Technologies Inc. offers a smorgasbord of tools and strategies covering; in-depth and *delicate* research. This may include but are not limited to problematical policy studies, policy design issues, background investigation required or buried archives dissemination.**

Diane Walsh is a team leader. She is also

- Principal Researcher. Her qualifications are a Diploma in Private Investigation (2006) from Penn Foster (PA, USA); Certification (2000) in Crisis Prevention Instruction, CPI, Inc. (MN, USA); Master of Arts, University of Victoria in Interdisciplinary Studies in Policy and Practice (1998); Bachelor of Arts in Political Science (1993), University of British Columbia.

In addition to,

- working directly for large contractors of government and as an independent consultant in the areas of restorative justice and social service, performing self-guided contracts through Geode Tech since 1995;
- serving as a policy writer as well as communications officer in municipal houses and societies (including Victoria City Hall's Parks and Recreation Foundation) and non-profit groups protecting people with special needs (including the Garth Homer Society and the Canadian Institute for the Blind) and performing;
- case facilitation for criminal justice agencies (including the Victoria John Howard Society, formerly contracted with the Ministry of the Attorney General) supervising court-mandated implementation of "Community Service Orders" along with strict record-keeping of offender's file data; as well as,
- consultation for contract housing and community care projects (including Vancouver Island Community Support Services (VICSS), Sidney-Resthaven, Community Living serving at-risk clients under formal crisis protocols of provincial government ministry;

- surveys for R & D companies (including Apogee Tech Ltd.) including developing success measures of grant recipients;
- consulting for fund-raising for research for community-supportive health care organizations (including Canadian Diabetes Association and the Kidney Foundation of Canada);
- information searches for E-NGO and I-NGO archive-development and early website projects including updating databases of the Asia Pacific Foundation in Vancouver; and
- (last but not least) performing sophisticated computerized searches for publicly-quoted companies.

## REFERENCES

Client testimonials are available upon request.

## WHY THIS IS A COMPANY GEM

In a number of cases, watchdog duties performed by Geode Technologies Inc., have been seen to prompt more efficient crisis-incident response and motivate steps towards round-table resolution of conflict.

## COMPANY VALUES

- Sensitive case information dissemination is a central function.
- Delicate management of the case files and the clients themselves is a priority.

Diane Walsh is the liaison for any of your requests for initiative on an investigative project. In her own words ,

*"I am meticulous and thorough. I can perform cold-call inquiries and am happy to provide field leg-work services which may involve a significant degree of travel. I am not afraid to tackle difficult or politically "hot" projects. I am a trust-worthy information expert who can be reached, 24/7 in a case of file emergency. Be sure and ask about hourly vs. project-based design rates when deciding on what might best suit your needs".*

## VITAL INFORMATION

You need to know the following when deciding whether or not to contract with Geode Technologies

- You should know that this company very familiar with the 'quirks' of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) in [Canada, the US and the UK] including manual searches, special collections access and e-database membership searches.

- Expertise comes in knowing *how* to weave through levels of government to acquire the names, leads, and sources required to be able to provide you with the sort of information you seek. And—in a timely manner—with little or no risk to you.
- Specialty includes municipal, county, provincial, state, and federal branches, in addition to understanding the frameworks of NGO and private ownerships firms.
- Searches services include but are not limited to,

Accessing and reviewing government protocols and corresponding “public” documents; analyzing reports and releases craftily distributed to media; examining distorted incomplete and/or suppressed records which appear to have been intended to shape a public view in a particular way (including info on social development, economic trend or political activity); “unpacking” and studying the strategic social movement of info, and observing the reporting of events; how “reporting” may have contributed to policy changes in a *positive* or *negative* fashion [depending on one’s political point of view].

Curious corrections or omissions can be a source of study, including media publication reports and treatment of “en-masse” dissenting activity. Such information has in the past for example helped for remodeling a funding application and/or has influenced the “directives” of a 5 year strategic/project cooperative; seeing to be brokered in a particular way to affect the change that you may be seeking. Past services have included but are not limited to mental health service agencies, community wellness organizations and city well-being committees, fund appropriation projects for housing initiatives, environmental coalitions and “Development” agencies.

- Doubtless, research proposals or searches required can be considered and extended beyond the scope of these above-described categories. Groups or agencies can make inquiries to Geode Technologies Inc. Information can also be sought by individual clients. Anonymity is key.

For additional info on search experts in the international community, please visit: [www.aiip.org](http://www.aiip.org)

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