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**Arbitrator Delivers Split Decision on Questions Regarding  
Closed Session of IPR's Oct. 30, 2013 Board Meeting**

Earlier this year, Iowa Public Radio and Michael Gartner agreed to ask an arbitrator six questions about the closed session at Iowa Public Radio's Oct. 30, 2013 Board meeting. Yesterday, Arbitrator Michael Streit delivered his decision. The Arbitrator answered four of the questions in favor of IPR. The Arbitrator answered two of the questions in favor of Michael Gartner, one of which consisted of five subparts. Per our agreement with Michael Gartner, we will seek further direction from the District Court.

The Iowa Public Radio Board of Directors fully intends to comply with the Iowa Open Meetings law. IPR agreed to this arbitration to clarify the question of whether we lived up to that intent, and will follow the direction of the District Court once it issues its decision.