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**Subject:** RE: Your travel request

Per the below Ethics notice I wanted to inform you I have returned from the Water Research Foundation (WRF) Project Committee Meeting. The meeting was in Trondheim Norway held on 3/7 & 3/8. I flew out on Saturday 3/4/2023 and returned on 3/9/2023. WRF paid for related travel expenses including airfare, hotel, and meals. No honoraria or additional payment was received. Let me know if you have any questions or clarifications.

Thanks,  
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**From:** Patrick Schwer <[Patrick.Schwer@cityofchicago.org](mailto:Patrick.Schwer@cityofchicago.org)>  
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**Subject:** WRF PAC Meeting

I am the Director of Water Quality Surveillance at the CDWM and had an ethics question. I am participating with the Water Research Foundation (WRF) on a Project Advisory Committee (PAC) for an ongoing research project. They are proposing a meeting of the committee in Late February/Early March in Trondheim Norway (where the researcher is located) to review the project and final reports. There would be no honoraria but the WRF would be paying for travel/hotel expenses. Are there any concerns (especially since its out of the country) to me accepting the travel expenses and any restrictions in how that travel would be paid for? Feel free to email or call with any additional questions.

Thanks,  
-Patrick Schwer  
Director of Water Quality