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June 17, 2019

Delivered electronically to "randy@pepplecom.com"

Subject: PDC Case 50292

Dear Evergreen Yes Committee:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Kaidi Williams concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC). As noted below to Kaidi Williams, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking further enforcement action in this matter

PDC staff is reminding you about the importance of providing complete and accurate sponsor identification in political advertising to include the required address and name of the political committee. Additionally, the PDC is reminding Evergreen Yes to accurately and timely file all required PDC reports to include Monetary Contributions (C-3 reports), Summary Full Receipts and Expenditures (C-4 reports), and the Political Committee Registration (C1pc).

If you have questions, you may contact Micaiah Ragins at 1-360-586-4555 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at [pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Micaiah Ragins  
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara Sandahl  
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June 17, 2019

Delivered electronically to “williams.kaidi@gmail.com”

Subject: Complaint regarding Evergreen Yes, PDC Case 50292

Dear Kaidi Williams:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on April 6, 2019. Your complaint alleged that Evergreen Yes, a ballot committee in support of Proposition No.1 Bonds for Hospital and Other Health Care Facilities, may have violated RCW 42.17A.320 for failure to meet sponsor identification requirements.

PDC staff reviewed your allegations, the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the response provided by Evergreen Yes, and the applicable PDC reports filed by the Campaign, to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

Based on staff's review, we found the following:

- On January 1, 2019, Evergreen Yes filed a Political Committee Registration (C1pc) as a ballot committee in support of a bond election scheduled for April 23, 2019. The C1pc did not specify which bond that the committee was supporting. The Public Hospital District No.2 Proposition No. 1 Bonds for Hospital and Other Health Care Facilities was approved with 34,687 votes (58.48%)
- On April 18, 2019, Evergreen Yes provided a response which stated that they did not understand the complaint since there was a disclaimer in the bottom right corner of their flyer with sponsor information.
- RCW 42.17A.320 requires that political advertising include the statement: “No candidate authorized this ad. It is paid for by (name, address, city, state).”

- The flyer from Evergreen Yes contains the following statement: “Paid for by Approve Prop 1 – EvergreenHealth.” This is not complete sponsor identification as specified by RCW 42.17A.320 because it does not include the required address details.

Based on these findings and the following facts, staff has determined that in this instance, the failure to meet sponsor identification requirements does not amount to a material violation warranting further investigation since: (1) The mailing envelope included a return address for the organization which demonstrated that it was not an official mailing; (2) The Evergreen Yes campaign attempted to meet sponsor identification requirements, but the information provided in the “Paid For By” section was incomplete; and (3) The Committee demonstrated inexperience with campaign finance reporting.

PDC staff is reminding Evergreen Yes about the importance of providing complete and accurate sponsor identification in political advertising to include the required address and name of the political committee. Additionally, the PDC is reminding Evergreen Yes to accurately and timely file all required PDC reports to include Monetary Contributions (C-3 reports), Summary Full Receipts and Expenditures (C-4 reports), and the Political Committee Registration (C1pc).

Based on this information, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing further enforcement action in this case. If you have questions, you may contact Micaiah Ragins at 1-360-586-4555 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at [pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov).

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cc: Evergreen Yes