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November 1, 2018

Sent electronically to George Hedebeck at vicepresident@iaff876.org

Subject: Spokane Valley Firefighters PAC, PDC Case 33375

Mr. Hedebeck:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter sent to Glen Morgan concerning a complaint he filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted in the letter to Mr. Morgan, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into the allegations listed in the complaint. However, while staff noted that the committee last filed a C-1pc in 2017, we are reminding the committee officers about the importance of filing timely and accurate reports disclosing campaign contribution and expenditure activities, for any future committee activities.

Accordingly, the PDC has dismissed the complaint in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1).

If you have questions, you may contact me at (360) 586-2869, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at erick.agina@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely, Endorsed by:

Erick Agina BG Sandahl, Deputy Director for PDC Compliance Officer Peter Lavallee, Executive Director





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Dear Mr. Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on March 28, 2018. The complaint alleged that the Spokane Valley Firefighters PAC (SVFP) may have violated RCW 42.17A.235 by failing to timely and accurately report contribution (C-3) and expenditure (C-4) reports.

PDC staff reviewed your allegations and as a result of staff's initial review, we found the following:

• On October 29, 2017, the Spokane Valley Firefighters PAC (SVFP) filed a C-1pc report for 2017, selecting the Full Reporting Option, and listing the same address and officers from prior C-1pc reports. SVFP has been registered with the PDC as a continuing political committee since January 1998.

Allegation 1: Failure to timely file one C-3 report.

Report # 100713804: On August 2, 2016, SVFP filed a C-3 report disclosing a \$100 monetary contribution received from one entity on July 15, 2016 and deposited on the same day. The C-3 report was required to have been filed by July 18, 2016, but was filed 15 days late.

Allegation 2: Failure to timely file 20 C-4 reports.

- The complaint alleged that SVFP filed 20 C-4 reports late between October 27, 2015 and October 31, 2017. Staff reviewed nine of the C-4 reports and found that the C-4 reports for September 2015, October 2015, January 2016, February 2016, January 2017, March 2017 and April 2017 included no contributions or expenditures, and were not required. They are therefore not considered filed late.
- Report# 100798202: On November 2, 2017, the SVFP committee filed the June 2017 C-4 report disclosing a \$500 contribution and \$750 in expenditures. The June 2017 C-4 report was due on July 10, 2017, but was filed 113 days late.
- Report # 100713808: On August 2, 2016, the SVFP committee filed the July 12 through July 25, 2016, C-4 report (7-day pre-primary C-4) disclosing a \$100 in contribution and \$200 in expenditures. The 7-day pre-primary C-4 report was

required to have been filed with the PDC no later than July 26, 2016, but was filed six days late.

- Report # 100691062: On April 16, 2016, the SVFP committee filed the February 2016, C-4 report disclosing no contributions or expenditure activities. Since no activities were undertaken in February 2016, the C-4 report was not required and therefore not filed late by the committee.
- The C-4 reports for September 2015, October 2015, January 2016, February 2016, January 2017, March 2017, and April 2017 included no contributions or expenditures, and were not required. They are therefore not considered filed late.

The SVFP received approximately \$1,700 in contributions and made expenditures totaling approximately \$750 for election years 2015, 2016 and 2017 combined. While the committee failed to timely file one C-3 report and a few C-4 reports for election years 2015, 2016 and 2017, the reports contained minimal contribution and expenditure activities.

Based on the above findings, PDC staff is reminding the Spokane Valley Firefighters PAC about the importance of timely disclosure of all contribution and expenditure activities, for any future committee activities.

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 enforcement action in this case.

If you have questions, you may contact me at (360) 586-2869, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at erick.agina@pdc.wa.gov.

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cc: Spokane Valley Firefighters PAC

