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Sheriff Knezovich,

Thank you again for speaking to me yesterday. As discussed, I am adding a second allegation to this complaint and am requesting your review and a response. Also, as discussed, feel free to add any supplemental information regarding the original allegation if you find it necessary. Both allegations are listed below for your convenience followed by a brief explanation of the second allegation.

The Public Disclosure Commission received a complaint from James Paul Dillon on March 7, 2022, which has been assigned PDC Case Number 105472. The Complaint alleges the following:

- Allegation One: Violation of RCW 42.17A.555 for misuse of public resources to support or oppose of a candidate for office.

Upon further review of the evidence, PDC staff has added a second allegation.

- Allegation Two: Violation of RCW 42.17A.635(2) for indirect lobbying.

Please review the additional allegation, detailed below, and provide your response by **Thursday, July 14, 2022.**

In Part 2 of the video provided as evidence in the complaint, you begin by discussing the increase in crime and violence in your community and then share the question that you state you are receiving. The question is "Sheriff, who should we be talking to about getting you the tools and the ability to take care of these issues?"

The remainder of the video appears to be the answer to this question.

The first group of individuals you discuss are five Spokane City Council members. Any potential lobbying, even if indirect, is not regulated by the PDC.

The next three individuals, Senator Andy Billig, Representative Marcus Riccelli and Representative Timm Ormsby, are identified as sitting legislators who "passed, sponsored reforms...that damaged our ability to keep you safe."

It is the connection between the community's question about who to talk to about the issues you highlight in your video and your answer, in this instance, the three legislators who passed and sponsored a bill that adversely affected your job as a law enforcement professional that is potentially problematic.

I hope this is helpful. I appreciate your time and attention.

If you have any questions, please reply to this email.

Thank you and please stay safe.

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