Re: PDC - Everett Firefighters for Citizen Safety: Alleged Violation of RCW 42.17A.235, .240 for failure to timely, accurately, and properly report contributions, expenditures, and debt. (NOV 17)

<u>Jason Bennett</u> reported (Fri, 1 Dec at 5:58 PM) via Email

To: pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Cc: info@argostrategies.com

Dear PDC -

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this complaint filed against Everett Firefighters for Citizen Safety. If I am understanding the complaint correctly, Gary Meisner believes that Argo Strategies and our subvendor Morel Ink provided a loan to the committee. That's not accurate or true. IAFF Local 46 made a pledge of \$20,000 to the committee and Argo accrued printed and mailed two mailers on behalf of the committee, expecting payment when the committee received the donation. That's not a loan, it's an accrued expense, as was reported on both of our C4 reports for Oct 16th (filed timely and detailing the debts/obligations and pledges of the committee) and on Oct 30th (filed timely and also detailing the debts/obligations and pledges of the committee). Debts that are accrued in one reporting period and paid in the next is perfectly legal so long as it's reported (it was). The expenses have been paid in this next reporting period, which would be due on December 11th cover that last week of the campaign and through November.

We kindly ask that you dismiss this complaint since it does not have merit.

Thank you,

Jason Bennett, Treasurer Everett Firefighters for Citizen Safety

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