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**Public Disclosure Commission Statement of Understanding**

**Spokane Home Builders Association: PDC Case 27641**

I, JOEL WHITE, hereby acknowledge that the Spokane Home Builders Association  
(Printed Name of Spokane Home Builders Association Executive Officer)

Failed to timely file Independent Expenditures reports (C-6 reports) disclosing independent expenditure advertisements made by the Spokane Home Builders Association (Association) for 2017 election information displayed on its electronic billboard in support of eight candidates, and in opposition to a local City of Spokane ballot proposition. The content of the billboard advertisements supported four 2017 City of Spokane Valley candidates, two 2017 City of Spokane candidates, and two 2017 legislative candidates, and opposed Proposition No. 2, a 2017 City of Spokane ballot proposition concerning the regulation of coal and oil trains.

The Association billboard independent expenditure advertisements were presented to the public between October 17 and 19, 2017. Under RCW 42.17A.255, any independent expenditure of \$100 or more is required to be disclosed on a C-6 report within five business days of the first advertisement being presented to the public. The Association did not report any independent expenditures by October 24, 2017. The Association filed C-6 reports on May 8, 2018, 196 days after the advertisements were presented to the public and 182 days after the November 7, 2017 general election. The reports disclosed the Association made \$1,555 in total independent expenditures undertaken for the billboard advertisements.

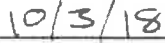
The Association would like to avoid the time and expense resulting from a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing) held by Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) staff.

Therefore, in lieu of PDC staff scheduling a Brief Enforcement Hearing, the Association is completing this Statement of Understanding and enclosing a check or money order in the amount of \$150 as a penalty payment in this matter.

The \$150 penalty is being assessed for the acknowledged violation of RCW 42.17A.255, in accordance with the Penalty Schedule adopted by the Commission for Brief Enforcement Hearings set forth in WAC 390-37-143.

I understand that by completing this Statement of Understanding, the Association acknowledges the violation of RCW 42.17A.255 and waives its right to a hearing in this matter.

  
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Joel White, Executive Officer  
Spokane Home Builders Association

  
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Date Signed

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