

August 29, 2016

Public Disclosure Commission
PO Box 40908
Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Public Disclosure Commission:

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the complaint filed by Mr. Tiufekchiev on August 23rd, 2016.

The first donation that Mr. Tiufekchiev cited in the complaint is from Violet Parvarandeh. As the Commission knows we have had a number of technical glitches with our filer ID numbers, which has made it difficult to be sure that corrections we have made are accurately reflected on the PDC's website. A complete examination of Violet Parvarandeh contributions shows a donation of \$2,000 on 4/14/16 and a \$6,000 donation on 4/15/16 totaling \$8,000 (to be divided between her and her husband, Pirooz, for the Primary and General elections). This cumulative \$8,000 contribution, when split evenly between the two spouses, is within the legal contribution limit for this race.

Since then, Ms. Violet Parvarandeh made an additional \$1,000 contribution. While this \$1,000 contribution was not the subject of Mr. Tiufekchiev's complaint, we discovered the discrepancy recently and have refunded the donation (check #1175, without using General election dollars to do so). We can say with utmost confidence that we have received no more than \$4000 from Pirooz Parvarandeh and \$4000 from Violet Parvarandeh, keeping both donations within the legal limit.

The second donation that Mr. Tiufekchiev cited is from Saeed Amid-Hozour. This \$4000 donation is within the limit of \$2000 for the Primary and \$2000 for General. However, the report should have been amended to split the donation between him and his spouse, and I have now done so.

The technical glitches with our filer ID have often made ensuring accuracy difficult. For example, the campaign C4 report for the period June 1 thru July 11 was filed timely (#100707711). The report appears on View Reports but the details of the expenditures do not appear on the Search Database feature. We believe this might be an issue with a C4 report for Cyrus' *Senate* campaign that uses the same filer ID for the period June 1-June 30th (also filed timely with confirmation #100706917). We understand this is not part of the issue here. But, please know we have been consistently and regularly communicating with the PDC about issues we've experienced and work in good faith to comply with PDC rules.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond quickly to the complaint. Please contact the campaign or me if further clarification is desired.

Sincerely,

Jason Bennett, Treasurer
Friends of Cyrus