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Gay Northrup, President
Represent Okanogan County
PO Box 1531
Okanogan WA 98840

Subject: Complaint filed by Nicole Kuchenbuch, PDC Case 6037

Dear Ms. Northrup:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter sent to Nicole Kuchenbuch concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) on June 16, 2016. The complaint alleged that Represent Okanogan County (ROC) may have violated RCW 42.17A.205, .235, and .240 by failing to register and report as a political committee. The complaint alleged that ROC was created in 2015 for the purpose of replacing the incumbent Okanogan County Commissioners. The complaint alleged that ROC was soliciting contributions to create a website and pay for radio, newspaper, and billboard advertising that criticized the actions of the County Commissioners, and sought to replace those Commissioners, two of whom were up for re-election in 2016, Ray Campbell and Sheilah Kennedy. A copy of the complaint was previously sent to you.

As noted in the letter to Ms. Kuchenbuch, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking enforcement action in this matter. As we discussed by telephone on October 3, 2016, please send a check for \$950.00, payable to "WA State Treasurer" as a forfeiture of excess anonymous contributions, in accordance with RCW 42.17A.220(4). Please send the check to the PDC with a note of explanation, and we will forward the check to the Washington State Treasurer. Thank you.

If you have questions, you may contact Phil Stutzman at 360-664-8853, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at phil.stutzman@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Philip E. Stutzman
Sr. Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

Evelyn Fielding Lopez
Executive Director

Enclosure: Letter to Nicole Kuchenbuch