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December 7, 2018

Delivered electronically to "mgnaylor79@gmail.com" and "mfrodden60@gmail.com"

Subject: PDC Case 42973

Dear Citizens Against Newport Silicon Smelter (CANSS):

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Norm Smith concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted below to Norm Smith, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking further enforcement action in this matter.

If you have questions, you may contact Tabatha Blacksmith at 360-586-8929, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Sincerely,

/s _____
Tabatha Blacksmith
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

/s _____
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December 7, 2018

Delivered electronically to "normsmith307@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint regarding Citizens Against Newport Silicon Smelter - CANSS, PDC Case 42973

Dear Norman Smith:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its initial review of the complaint you filed on October 29, 2018. Your complaint alleged that Citizens Against Newport Silicon Smelter - CANSS may have violated RCW 42.17A.205, .235 & .305 by failing to register as a political committee and report contributions, expenditures & electioneering communications.

PDC staff reviewed your allegations and, as a result of staff's initial review, found the following:

- The Respondent did not receive contributions or make expenditures in support of, or opposition to, any candidate or ballot measure.
- The Respondent did not sponsor any paid advertising. The posts that appeared on the Respondent's Facebook page did not have a cost associated with them.
- Sheryl Miller paid all costs associated with her July 13, 2018 campaign fundraiser and collected all the proceeds.
- The Respondent is not required to register as a "political committee" because it did not receive contributions or make expenditures in support of, or opposition to, any candidate or ballot proposition. Subsequently, the Respondent does not have contributions or expenditures to report.
- The Respondent did not sponsor any paid advertising or electioneering communications and therefore does not have any expenditures to report.

Based on these initial findings, staff has determined that in this instance, no evidence supports a finding of a violation warranting further investigation.

The PDC has dismissed the matter and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing further enforcement action in this case.

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