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December 19, 2018

Delivered electronically to “molergreen@fairpoint.net”

Subject: PDC Case 42789

Dear Anton Cebe:

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

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

However, pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(b), this letter serves as a warning letter concerning misuse of a public uniform, paid for with public funds, in order to oppose a ballot proposition. Staff expects you to refrain from further appropriation of public facilities to support or oppose future candidates or ballot propositions. The Commission will consider the formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Fox Blackhorn at 1-360-753-1980 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

/s _____
Fox Blackhorn
Compliance Coordinator 2

Endorsed by,

/s _____
Peter Lavalley
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December 19, 2018

Delivered electronically to “rayrisdon@gmail.com”

Subject: Complaint regarding Anton Cebe, PDC Case 43018

Dear Raymond Risdon:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its initial review of the complaint you filed on November 7, 2018. Your complaint alleged that Anton Cebe may have violated RCW 42.17A.555 for misuse of public facilities to oppose a ballot proposition.

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

- On November 6, 2018, Anton Cebe wore a uniform purchased by Kittitas County Fire Protection District 7, while waving signs in opposition to a ballot proposition for a fire district levy lid lift.
- The Fire Chief of Kittitas County Fire Protection District 7 informed Anton Cebe of the prohibition on the use of public facilities contained in RCW 42.17A.555 and urged Anton to take off the uniform while holding signs.
- Anton Cebe continued to wear the uniform knowingly, in violation of RCW 42.17A.555, and has been placed on administrative suspension by Kittitas County Fire Protection District 7.
- Anton Cebe has no prior found violations of PDC laws or rules, and acknowledged and took responsibility for the non-compliance.

Based on these initial findings, staff has determined that in this instance, misusing a public uniform that was purchased with public funds, in order to oppose a ballot proposition, does not amount to an actual violation warranting further investigation.

Pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(b), Anton Cebe will receive a formal written warning concerning misuse of a public uniform, paid for with public funds, in order to oppose a ballot proposition. The formal written warning will include staff’s expectation that Anton Cebe refrain from further appropriation of public facilities to support or oppose future candidates or ballot propositions. The Commission will consider the formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

Based on this information, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1), and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing further enforcement action in this case.

If you have questions, you may contact Fox Blackhorn at 1-360-753-1980 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at fdc@fdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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cc: Anton Cebe