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Pursuant to complaint from Glen Morgan, PDC Case 34455, please see the following responses for each of the eight complaints:

Allegation One: All C-3 and C-4 reports in 2015 were filed appropriately in a campaign which saw no opposition. A professional treasurer, Abbot Taylor was hired in April 2017 to handle a more complicated election. After he completed his campaign review, he corrected many of the 2017 reports to more accurately reflect the actual financial transactions that occurred during the 2017 campaign. Other allegations involve reports that were amended to include more accurate information when it was discovered by the treasurer. In all, or almost all of the other instances, the information was reported as initially known and then corrected or updated when more accurate information became available. In other instances, the reports included interest deposits. While some of these were filed late, it is important to note that the total monetary value of all interest deposits in 2017 was \$3.38. As noted from our Treasurer:

“Per PDC guidance”, interest can be reported as received on the date it was discovered after obtaining the bank statement; however, I reported the interest on the date it was actually received to make the reports more accurate, at the cost of filing a report a few days late. I stopped this practice immediately after re-reviewing the PDC intent.

Allegation Two: There were NO last minute contributions to the campaign in 2015 thus no special reporting occurred as prescribed by law. In 2017, All contributions received during the seven days before the Primary election and the 21 days before the General election were reported within 48 hours on either a Last Minute Contribution form or a C-3 as required by 42.17A.265.

Allegation Three: C-1 for 2015 campaign was filed appropriately by the candidate who was the only officer. According to the definition given by WAC 390-05-245, there are no individuals on the 2017 campaign that need to be listed on the C-1 other than

The candidate and the treasurer. All financial and campaign decisions were ultimately approved by the candidate.

Allegation Four: All expenditures were approved by the candidate before paid. No other person authorized or approved of expenditures.

Allegation Five: All campaign records for the 2015 campaign are kept and maintained by the candidate and all campaign records for the 2017 campaign are kept and maintained by the treasurer, Abbot Taylor for a period of no less than seven years.

Allegation Six: In both the 2015 and 2017 campaigns, funds were only deposited into the financial institutions account by the campaigns treasurers.

Allegation Seven: Because there is no cost to have a Facebook page, there was no PAID FOR BY included on the page. In an effort to be more transparent, the campaign added a sponsor ID to the Facebook page.

Allegation Eight: KEEP RUTH PEREZ FOR RENTON is a candidate campaign and not a Political Action Committee and as such, there are (were) no independent expenditures to report and no C-6 filing requirement.

I am happy to provide further details if needed.