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Bob Ferguson
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RE: Notice of Violations of RCW 42.17A (Vincent Buys)
SCBIL File No. 6552-021

Dear Mr. Ferguson:

On behalf of the Washington State Democratic Party, we write to notify you that there is good reason to believe several violations of the Fair Campaign Practices Act, RCW 42.17A et seq., have been committed by State Representative Vincent Buys and Representative Buy's authorized political committee (the 'Respondents'). Please consider this our 45-day notice pursuant to RCW 42.17A.765(4).

Respondents filed several untimely C-4 reports required by law to be filed with the Public Disclosure Commission, RCW 42.17A.235 and .240, as set forth in Exhibit A.

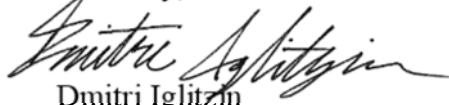
Further, Respondents filed several untimely C-3 reports required by law to be filed with the Public Disclosure Commission, RCW 42.17A.235 and .240, as set forth in Exhibit B.

The laws regulating the reporting of campaign contributions serve a critical role in promoting transparency and ethical conduct in our elections. Respondents' disregard for these laws show an unacceptable lack of commitment to the principles our campaign finance laws uphold.

Please be aware that if you do not initiate an action against Respondents within the applicable statutory notice periods, we intend to satisfy any applicable notice requirements and proceed with an action in the name of the State. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Bob Ferguson
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dmitri Iglitzin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Dmitri Iglitzin
Counsel for Washington State Democrats

Enclosures

cc: Linda Dalton, Assistant Attorney General
Thurston County Prosecutor
Whatcom County Prosecutor

Exhibit A Buys – Late C4s

1. June 17, 2015, form C-4 report(s) 100643882

This report, for the May 2015 filing period, was apparently due by June 10, 2015.

2. January 24, 2016, form C-4 report(s) 100676104

This report, for the December 2015 filing period, was apparently due by January 10, 2016.

3-4. March 19, 2016, form C-4 report(s) 100687120; 100687122

These reports, for the January & February 2016 filing periods, were apparently due by February 10 and March 10, 2016 (respectively).

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Exhibit B -- Illegally Late Reported C3s						
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3	Violation #	Report #	Deposit Date	Report Due Date	Date Reported	Dates Late	Amount of Deposit
4	1	100719653	7/31/2016	8/1/2016	9/10/2016	40	\$0.04
5	2	100741790	12/30/2016	1/10/2017	1/13/2017	3	\$0.12
6	Totals					43	\$0.16