

November 6th, 2019

Tabitha Townsend
Public Disclosure Commission
711 Capitol Way S #206
Olympia, WA 98504



RE: Alleged violation of RCW 42.17A.420 by Fuse Votes (Case: 59237)

Dear Ms. Townsend,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the allegations of Mr. Glen Morgan in PDC Case Number 59237.

It turns out Mr. Morgan has identified a single-character typo on a three-year old post-election C3 report by Fuse Votes, not a "serious" violation of any kind. His obsessive campaign to weaponize our state's campaign finance laws against his political opponents misses the mark with this one.

On December 12, 2016, Fuse Votes filed a C3 report which listed an \$8,000 contribution from SEIU 925 Local Services PAC as having been received on November 8, 2016. In fact, this check was received on November 28, 2016, nearly three weeks after the election. Our accountant accidentally omitted the "2" in "28" when she filled out the c3.

Our check log shows that the check was received on November 28th. I have also included documentation of the actual deposit date, which was also the 28th -- a scanned copy of the bank deposit slip. The deposit slip shows that the check, number 2361, was in fact deposited on November 28. The check itself is dated November 10th, two days after the 8th. I have included a copy of the check as well. The originals are available if you wish to review them.

We will amend the December 12, 2016 C3 report to reflect the correct date on which the check was received and we regret the clerical error. However, given that the money was neither received nor spent during the 2016 election, we believe this typo had no discernable impact on voters' information. In addition, Fuse has demonstrated careful adherence with the letter and spirit of campaign finance laws throughout its history and will continue to work closely with PDC staff to ensure full compliance going forward.

Please do not hesitate to ask if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Aaron Ostrom". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Aaron Ostrom
Executive Director