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Subject: Case Status Review (Initial Hearing) After Opening a Formal Investigation,  
Washougal Moms, PDC Case 99603

Dear Washougal Moms:

After conducting a preliminary review and assessment of complaints filed by Melanie Wilson and Wendi Moose concerning alleged violations of RCW 42.17.205 by failing to register as a political committee and RCW 42.17.320 by failing to include the proper sponsor identification on the "Vote these people out" page of your website, PDC staff opened a formal investigation and held an initial hearing (also referred to as a case status review) on March 1, 2022, pursuant to RCW 42.17A.755, and WACs 390-37-060 and 390-37-071.

At the hearing, it was noted the case status review is not an adjudicative proceeding and RCW 42.17A.755 provides PDC staff with alternatives to full, formal adjudication or referral to the Attorney General's Office. I am encouraging you to work with staff on resolving this matter using those alternatives.

If you have questions, please contact Alice Fiman, Compliance Officer, by replying to the latest staff email concerning this matter or by calling 360-586-4746.

Sincerely,

*Electronically Signed Peter Lavallee*

Peter Lavallee  
PDC Executive Director