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reported via email

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To:": PDC Support" <pdc@pdc.wa.gov>

Cc:leann.rampulla@ampersand.tv

External Email

Dear Ms. Mercier,

We are in receipt of your email below regarding PDC case number 164846.

I am General Counsel at Ampersand.

In response to your question, Ampersand did not provide a response to Mr. Edwards for the following reasons:

- 1. Mr. Edwards wrote an Ampersand employee, Ms. Wendy Lowe. It first was automatically filtered to her spam. When she checked her junk mailbox days later, she flagged the message as a phishing attempt to our IT team. One reason for her doing so was because Ampersand's name was listed incorrectly in Mr. Edwards' email as "Ampersand Media." Please note that Ampersand periodically tests its employees' security skills by sending out email messages to its employees through its Security Software as tests to make sure they do not open or respond to any phishing attempts. One frequent giveaway of the phishing tests is spelling Ampersand's name wrong.
- 2. Ampersand has numerous emails listed on its website, including legal, privacy and marketing, in the same manner you did. It would have been helpful if Mr. Edwards had written a department that is listed on our website either directly or via carbon copy when he wrote to Ms. Lowe as legal would have known how to respond to this type of request.

Please note that Ampersand is not the party responsible for filing these documents. Defend Washington is. In fact, Ampersand is a media vendor that worked with Defend Washington selling them access to local cable advertising. Ampersand is not a political campaign or group. The money that was paid to Ampersand was for advertising outlined by the flight's dates and amounts in the filing. For specific details on what networks were purchased, an individual would be able to access those files via the Public File available <u>Home - FCC Public</u> Inspection Files as mandated by the FCC Rules. Any further information needs to be directed to Defend Washington as they are the filer and group spending the money.

Having said that, we pulled the public documents for your ease and have attached them here.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Best,

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