

July 15, 2025

Public Disclosure Commission
Attn: Erick O. Agina, Compliance Officer

Subject: PDC Case Number 170627

Dear Mr. Agina,

I am writing on behalf of Citizens 'Vote Yes For Our RFA', which was initially formed to support Proposition #1 — the consolidation of Douglas County Fire District and Chelan County Fire District into a Regional Fire Authority. I served as Treasurer for this committee, which was dissolved last year. I received notification of the PDC complaint on July 15, 2025, and respectfully offer the following responses to each reported violation:

- Violation: Late Filing of the C4 Report

Committee Response: Our C4 report was filed on September 10, 2024, reflecting a closing balance of \$2,063.34. At the time, our intent was to dissolve the committee and close the account. I contacted PDC support for guidance and received instructions. That guidance did not mention that this action needed to take by a specific date.

Surplus funds were refunded to *I.A.F.F. LOCAL 453* via ACH on September 19, 2024. This information was provided to me in late October 2024. I inadvertently included it with a file I had for the Form 990 filing for this entity and failed to update in the PDC system. I reached out to PDC Support in March 2025 on how to finalize this report and notify the PDC that the committee was dissolved. Ashlee Carlson kindly assisted me with correcting the report and I received notification on April 2, 2025, that our final report was accepted. I was not informed that the filing was late. We appreciate any guidance on further action required.

- Violation: Missing Reports for 2023

Committee Response: The committee was created as a single-year entity and later reactivated in May 2024 to support Proposition #1 — Authorization of a Benefit Charge on the August 2024 ballot in Chelan and Douglas Counties. I reached out to PDC support to ask about reusing the previous registration. With assistance from Ashlee Carlson, we updated all contact and purpose information related to this ballot initiative. However, we were not made aware that reports for 2023 were required. We respectfully request clarification on how to correct this matter.

- Violation: Incomplete Expense Reporting (Postcards & Advertisements)

Committee Response:

EDDM Postcards:

We attended PDC trainings in June 2022 and May 2024. Based on that instruction, our understanding was that we needed to disclose the vendor name, the amount spent, the transaction date, and the purpose — such as “postcard printing and mailing.” We did not find reference to a requirement to report the quantity of postcards purchased. A total of 35,500 postcards were purchased, and we can provide a copy of the invoice if needed.

Wenatchee World Advertisements:

The following ads were placed in 2022:

- Web Static Footer (ran July 19, 20, and 21): \$600
- “Yes on RFD Prop 1” color ad (ran July 16): \$875

Invoices are available if needed. We acknowledge this omission and welcome guidance on how to correct this reporting.

- Violation: Missing Sponsorship Disclosure

Committee Response: While we understood sponsor limits and attended PDC trainings in June 2022 and May 2024, we did not come across guidance requiring the inclusion of *I.A.F.F. LOCAL 453* as part of our committee’s registered name. We acknowledge the error and appreciate direction on how to address it, particularly since this committee is now dissolved.

Our committee values transparency and is committed to full compliance with Washington State campaign finance law. We welcome further instruction from the PDC to resolve this matter.

Sincerely,



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Citizens ‘Vote Yes For Our RFA’ sponsored by I.A.F.F. LOCAL 453