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

### External Email

Erick,

I appreciate the response and your help.

I am attaching photos of a large sign with new sponsorship language and a small sign with new sponsorship language. Please advise if there are any concerns with either of these. I will then put them on as many signs that are placed that I can access. I will ensure they are on any signs being distributed or placed going forward.

Please note that we did research before placing any signs regarding how to use existing signs. The PDC website's front page regarding signs says that signs printed before June 6, 2024, are exempt from the new rules. Mine were printed and purchased in 2021. I ensured I had the receipts to prove this. Below is copied from that page with the existing sign statement highlighted. Here is the link to that page: [Attention campaigns and committees: Make sure you're following updated rules for yard signs | Washington State Public Disclosure Commission \(PDC\)](#)

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Posted on

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Campaigns should follow the [PDC's guidance](#) on sponsor ID placement and size on yard signs and campaign materials. For example, sponsor ID on yard signs should be no smaller than 10-point font, or 10 percent of the largest font size on the sign, whichever is greater. Sponsor ID for candidates should include their names and campaign mailing address.

Signs printed before June 6 are exempt from the rules, while signs printed afterwards are required to include sponsor ID.

The PDC is encouraging purchasers of campaign signs leading up to June 6 to include sponsor ID to promote transparency, avoid confusion and ensure that signs getting reused in future elections will be compliant.

Campaigns should also take care to make sure sign purchases prior to June 6 are disclosed in expenditure reports to ensure that members of the public have that information when they see signs without sponsor identification. In addition to reporting payments for signs, campaigns should take a few extra steps:

- If you're using signs from a previous campaign, remember [to report that as a contribution](#) to your new campaign.
- If you haven't yet paid for your signs, you can disclose that on expenditure reports as a vendor debt even if the cost is less than \$1,000, the threshold for required reporting of debt.

Thank you for your help,

Pam