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Michael Clasen Assistant City Attorney City of Hawthorne 4455 W. 126th Street Hawthorne, CA 90250

> Re: Your Request for Advice Our File No. A-85-022

Dear Ms. Clasen:

This letter is sent to confirm our telephone conversation concerning Government Code Section 91013(c). This section generally provides for the assessment of late filing penalties by filing officers. Subsection (c) states in part:

(c) . . . No liability under this section shall exceed the cumulative amount stated in the late statement or report, or one hundred dollars (\$100), whichever is greater.

You asked, with respect to campaign statements filed pursuant to Chapter 4 of the Political Reform Act, how we interpret the term "cumulative amount." This term refers to the cumulative amount of the contributions for the period covered by the statement or the cumulative amount of the expenditures for the period covered by the statement, whichever is greater.

If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at (916) 322-5901.

Sincerely,

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