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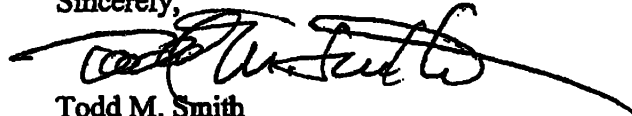
Re: Office And Professional Employees International Union -
Voice Of The Electorate

Dear Ms. Irving:

The Commission has asked the VOTE committee to respond to the Interim Report of the Audit Division on the Office And Professional Employees International Union -Voice Of The Electorate committee. I have previously provided the Commission with detailed explanations regarding all of the issues raised in the audit. I do not believe any additional information is necessary regarding those specific issues. However, I wanted to inform you that the OPEIU VOTE committee has been continuing to improve its procedures to ensure future compliance. The VOTE committee has purchased the new on-line reporting software that it had discussed with the Commission. The VOTE committee has placed the chief assistant of the Treasurer of the committee in charge of all reporting, and the chief assistant has been receiving training in the new software from the software provider. The committee is preparing to move its office from Washington, D.C. to New York, NY. The Treasurer has been interviewing and hiring new staff for the New York office with special consideration of the skills and expertise needed for campaign finance reporting. All these measures should greatly improve the operation and reporting activities of the VOTE committee.

Please contact me if there is any additional information that you need.

Sincerely,



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