



**Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463**

March 15, 2016

Amie J. Haakenson
Alaska's Energy / America's Values
1407 Q 31st Avenue, Suite 100
Anchorage, AK 99503

**Re: ADR 779
Alaska's Energy / America's Values and Amie J. Haakenson, Treasurer**

Dear Ms. Haakenson:

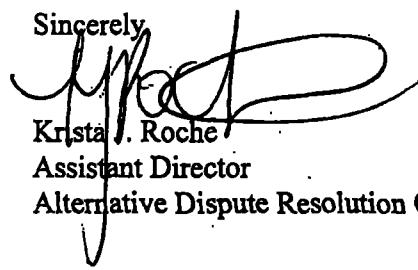
Enclosed is the signed copy of the Negotiated Settlement resolving the referral initiated on August 28, 2015, by the Federal Election Commission ("FEC/Commission") involving *[the complaint filed on – date – with the Federal Election Commission ("FEC/Commission") against]* the above-show Respondents. The Negotiated Settlement was approved by the Commission on March 14, 2016 – the effective date of the agreement.

Note the specific time frames for compliance in Paragraph 6 of the agreement. Please forward to this office, a statement confirming Respondent's compliance with the terms listed in the aforementioned agreement. The letter should note the dates on which Respondents satisfied each of the terms listed in Paragraph 6, and contain the ADR caption and case number.

As you are aware, the Negotiated Settlement will be made part of the record that is released to the public. The Commission will also place on the record copies of the complaint/referral, correspondence exchanged between your office and this office prior to our negotiations, and reports prepared for the Commission by this office to assist in its consideration of this matter. The Commission is obliged by Federal statute to place on the public record documents in closed enforcement and alternative dispute resolution cases; accordingly, copies of documents relative to this matter will be forwarded shortly to the FEC's Public Information Office.

This agreement resolves the matter that was initiated by the Commission pursuant to information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities regarding violations of federal election campaign laws. I appreciate your assistance in effectively resolving this matter and bringing the case to a mutually acceptable conclusion.

Sincerely



Krista Roche
Assistant Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

Enc: Negotiated Settlement



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Source: RAD 15L-33
Case Name: Alaska's Energy /
America's Values

NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT

This matter was initiated by the Federal Election Commission (Commission) pursuant to information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. Following review of the matter, and in an effort to promote compliance with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, (FECA) and resolve this matter, the Commission entered into negotiations with Amie J. Haakenson representing the Alaska's Energy / America's Values and Amie J. Haakenson, in her official capacity as Treasurer (the Committee or Respondents). It is understood that this agreement will have no precedential value relative to any other matters coming before the Commission.

Negotiations between the Commission and Respondents addressed the issues raised in this referral. The parties agree to resolve the matter according to the following terms:

1. The Commission entered into this agreement as part of its responsibility for administering the FECA, and in an effort to promote compliance on the part of Respondents. The Commission's use of alternative dispute resolution procedures (ADR) is guided by "The Administrative Dispute Resolution Act of 1996," 5 U.S.C. § 572 and is an extension of 52 U.S.C. § 30109.
2. Respondents voluntarily enter into this agreement with the Commission.
3. RAD referred (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to timely file one (1) 48-Hour Report totaling \$30,303.30 to support one (1) independent expenditure disseminated on December 10, 2013, and disclosed on the 2013 Year-End Report. On April 29, 2014, the missing report was filed.
4. A person, including a political committee, that makes or contracts to make independent expenditures aggregating \$10,000 or more at any time up to and including the 20th day before the date of an election shall file a report describing the expenditures within 48 hours. 52 U.S.C. § 30104(g) (2)(A), 11 C.F.R. § 104.4(b).
5. Respondents indicate that this was a newly-formed committee with staff inexperienced in filing FEC reports. The report at issue was the first 48-Hour Report

required to be filed by the Committee; subsequent reports were properly filed. At this time, Respondents indicate a desire to terminate the Committee.

6. Respondents, agree to:
 - a. Participate in a teleconference with RAD staff to clarify the public record within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this agreement.
 - b. Respondents acknowledge that a civil penalty would be appropriate under the circumstances of this matter. The Respondents, however, indicate that financial hardship prevents them from paying any civil penalty, and have submitted extensive financial documentation in support of this claim. These submissions and representations are material representations, and attested to in the agreement. Due to the mitigating circumstances, which include Respondents' financial condition, it is requested the Commission depart from the civil penalty that the Commission would normally otherwise seek for the violations at issue, and assess no civil penalty. Respondents understand that if evidence is discovered indicating that Respondents' financial condition is not as stated, a civil penalty of up to \$1,500 shall be immediately due.
 - c. As the Committee wishes to terminate its political committee status, Respondents will certify the closure of the Committee's federal account and file a termination report within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this agreement, and work with Commission staff to terminate their political committee status and reporting obligations with the Commission. The Committee will continue reporting until such time as the termination has been approved.
7. Respondents agree that all information provided to resolve this matter is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge and that they sign this agreement under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746.
8. The parties agree that if Respondents fail to comply with the terms of this settlement, the Commission may undertake civil action in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia to secure compliance.
9. This agreement shall become effective on the date signed by all parties and approved by the Commission. Respondents shall comply with the terms of this agreement as set out in paragraph 6 above, and shall certify compliance with the above settlement terms in writing to the Alternative Dispute Resolution Office on or before the date each term becomes due.
10. This Negotiated Settlement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on ADR 779 (RAD 15L-33), and resolves those issues identified in paragraph 3 above. No other statement, promise or agreement, either written or oral, made by either party, not included herein, shall be enforceable.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

Krista J. Roche, Assistant Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office



3/16/16

Date Signed

FOR THE RESPONDENTS:



Amie J. Haakenson
Representing Alaska's Energy / America's Values
and Amie J. Haakenson, Treasurer

11 January 2016

Date Signed