



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

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July 19, 2000

Thomas Farrell
Farrell's Trailer Sales, Inc.
11401 South Portland
Oklahoma City, OK 73170-9744

RE: MUR 4818


Dear Mr. Farrell:

The Federal Election Commission has the statutory duty of enforcing the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. It has come to our attention that Farrell's Trailer Sales, Inc. may have information that will assist the Commission in a confidential investigation it is conducting. Specifically, the Commission seeks all documents related to any purchases, sales or other transactions by Walter or John Roberts from McAlester, Oklahoma from 1995 to the present. The documents sought include but are not limited to sales contracts, invoices, memoranda, agreements, checks, purchase orders, notes, correspondence, (including documents stored or generated on computer, e.g. e-mail).

The Commission does not consider you a respondent in this matter, but rather a witness only. Because this information is being sought as part of an investigation being conducted by the Commission, the confidentiality provision of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) applies. That section prohibits making public any investigation conducted by the Commission without the express written consent of the person with respect to whom the investigation is made. You are advised that no such consent has been given in this case.

This Office requests that you voluntarily provide this information within twenty days of your receipt of this request. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this in more detail, please call me or Margaret Toalson, the other attorney handling this matter, at (800) 424-9530 or (202) 694-1650. If you do not intend to comply with this request, please notify this Office right away.

Sincerely,


Xavier K. McDonnell
Attorney