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October 7, 2015

Via Email: Kamau Philbert, Esq. Staff Attorney Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

RE: <u>MUR-6658</u>

Dear Mr. Philbert:

I am enclosing the voluntary response of our client, Gary DuBois, to the questions you sent to him by letter dated September 10, 2015, regarding MUR-6658. You requested Mr. DuBois' voluntary cooperation to provide you with information. You advised him and us as part of your request for his voluntary cooperation that he is not the subject of a complaint or a referral, and that he is not under any type of investigation nor are there are any allegations against him.

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact mc.

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Cc: Gary DuBois

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October 5, 2015

Via Email: Kamau Philbert Staff Attorney Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

RE: <u>MUR-6658</u>

Dear Mr. Philbert:

Gary DuBois responds to the request for information pertaining to vendor yard signs; STOP the WAR on COAL- FIRE OBAMA" (the "Sign" or "Signs").

- 1. I ordered as a vendor for re-sale and received my first shipment of the Signs on May 6, 2012. My last order was received October 25, 2012. I had no involvement with any similar Signs prior to my first order in May 2012.
- I ordered 10,500 signs as vendor to sell them. I purchased the Signs from Direct Results in Waynesburg, PA and Sign Factory in Morgantown, WV. The Signs, stakes, freight, sales tax and delivery cost \$46,174.30, or a cost of \$4.75 per Sign. I sold each Sign for \$6 per sign.
- 3. The Signs were sold to hundreds possibly thousands of individuals. It is possible, although I cannot say with certainty, that some of the signs were re-sold by the individuals who purchased them from me. Some businesses also purchased the signs.
- 4. I sold approximately 10,460 signs and I was left with approximately 40.
- 5. I personally put up approximately 20 of the remaining 40 Signs and they all had the legally required disclaimer on them. Each Sign that I posted cost \$4.75 a piece so the total cost of the 20 Signs I posted was \$95.00.
- 6. The Signs were sold at public events and pursuant to an advertisement on electronic media.
- 7. I came up with the idea to create these Signs and sell them as a vendor to individuals who might be interested in purchasing them and using them.

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- 8. None of my Signs existed prior to May 2012.
- 9. I reported the net income after all expenses I received from the Sale of the Signs on my 2012 Tax Return.
- 10. I first got the idea for the Signs when I saw others with similar signs in March and April of 2012 posted in Kentucky, West Virginia, and Virginia.
- 11. I do not know who else sold similar Signs.
- 12. I sold the Signs as a vendor. If those who purchased the Signs chose to post them, they would be the party who would have to include the disclaimer. As a courtesy for future customers, I ordered stickers from Direct Results in September 2012, which included a space for the person posting the Signs to fill in the details of the Disclaimer.

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