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VIA ELECTRONIC AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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RE: MUR 7137
Precision Pipeline, LLC
Jillian Preller

Dear Mr. Martucci:

We are in receipt of your letter requesting pre-probable cause conciliation on behalf of your clients, Precision Pipeline, LLC ("Precision Pipeline"), and Jillian Preller. We currently lack sufficient information regarding the allegations to recommend that the Commission engage in pre-probable cause conciliation at this time. Nevertheless, we share your clients' interest in resolving the matter expeditiously and would be willing to consider making such a recommendation if your clients are able to provide certain information.

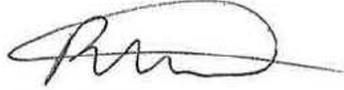
Accordingly, so that we may begin the process of determining whether to recommend that the Commission engage in pre-probable cause conciliation, please provide us with the following information:

1. Please provide a complete copy of the executed contract between Precision Pipeline and the Pipe Line Contractors Association (the "PLCA Agreement") in effect in June 2016 at issue in this matter.
2. Please identify all local union chapters covered by the PLCA Agreement. For each chapter, state whether deductions for political contributions were made from any employee's pay without prior authorization.
3. Please identify each employee whose pay was deducted for political contributions without prior authorization. For each such employee, state:
 - a. the amount deducted for political contributions without such authorization;
 - b. the time period that such deductions occurred; and
 - c. the local union chapter to which the employee belongs.

4. Please explain the process Precision Pipeline uses to verify that an employee has voluntarily authorized withholding of political contributions.
5. Please state whether Precision Pipeline is treated as a partnership for tax purposes or has elected corporate tax treatment.

We ask that you submit your response by May 24, 2018. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1302 or rwolcott@fec.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ray Wolcott', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ray Wolcott
Staff Attorney