



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

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RE: MUR 7137
Precision Pipeline, LLC
Jillian Preller

Dear Mr. Martucci:

On December 12, 2017, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that Precision Pipeline, LLC and Jillian Preller violated 52 U.S.C. § 30118(b)(3)(c) and 11 C.F.R. § 114.5(a)(4). On January 28, 2021, the Commission determined to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a conciliation agreement in settlement of this matter prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.

Enclosed is a conciliation agreement that the Commission has approved in settlement of this matter. Pre-probable cause conciliation is not mandated by the Act or the Commission's regulations but is a voluntary step in the enforcement process that the Commission is offering to you as a way to resolve this matter and without the need for briefing the issue of whether or not the Commission should find probable cause to believe that the Committee violated the law. If you are interested in engaging in pre-probable cause conciliation, please contact me within seven days of receipt of this letter.

The civil penalty for violations of the Act may be the greater of either the statutory civil penalty or the amount of the contribution or expenditure involved in the violation. 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(5); 11 C.F.R. § 111.24(a)(1).

During conciliation, you may submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the resolution of this matter. Because the Commission only enters into pre-probable cause conciliation in matters that it believes have a reasonable opportunity for settlement, we

may proceed to the next step in the enforcement process if a mutually acceptable conciliation agreement cannot be reached within 60 days. *See* 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a), 11 C.F.R. Part 111 (Subpart A). Please note that once the Commission enters the next step in the enforcement process, it may decline to engage in further settlement discussions until after making a probable cause finding.

If you have any questions or suggestions for changes in the agreement, or if you wish to arrange a meeting in connection with a mutually satisfactory conciliation agreement, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Kristina Portner

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