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Oklahoma State Senate

Marty Quinn Senator District 2



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Re: Your matter number: MUR 7594

Dear Sir/Madam:

This writing is in response to the complaint filed with the Federal Election Commission related to a contribution to Marty Quinn for Senate 2014 and Marty Quinn for Senate 2018 (Friends of Marty Quinn 2014 and Friends of Marty Quinn 2018) from Enbridge (U.S.) Inc. Political Action Committee. The complaint alleges because of foreign ownership of the parent company of Enbridge, no contributions can be made to influence U.S. elections.

I would like to refer your office the FEC's numerous advisory opinions which state that a United States corporation that is a subsidiary of a foreign corporation may sponsor a separate segregated fund which can in turn make contributions to candidates as long as:

The foreign parent does not finance election related contributions or expenditures either directly or through the subsidiary.

No foreign national (including the foreign parent) participates in the operations of the separate segregated fund or in its administration (such as by appointing officers) or in any decision to make donations, contributions, disbursements or expenditures in connection with any federal or nonfederal election.

The complaints in no way show that either of these advisory opinions have been violated and that the contributions were in any way inappropriate.

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I am the candidate and acting as the treasurer for the above-mentioned candidate committees. The contribution received by the committees was given by a PAC registered within the state of Oklahoma. The contribution corporation is a U.S. company and has domestic income and earnings for which it could finance the contributions without the influence of the foreign parent. I do not believe there are any violations under the advisory opinions given by the FEC, and I do not believe that the contributions or my candidate committees are in violation of any election laws or rules.

A hard copy of this letter has been sent through U.S. Mail, as well as an e-mail. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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MARTY QUINN Senator – Oklahoma District 2 Treasurer, Marty Quinn for Senate 2014 and 2018