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Re: Late Filing Penalty

LETTER OF EDUCATION

Dear Mr. Pair:

This letter is being issued to educate you regarding the requirements of ORS 171.745 and 171.752 because of your failure to timely file Lobbyist Expenditure Reports with the Oregon Government Ethics Commission (Commission).

You are registered with the Commission as a lobbyist. Statute requires that you submit an expenditure report by the 15th of the month following each quarter, even if there were no expenses to report, and for any portion of a reporting period prior to the filing of a termination form.

A valid lobbying registration was on file during the reporting period of 1st quarter January through March, 2017, which required the filing of an expenditure report. You were notified by email through the Electronic Filing System that your report was due April 15, 2017. After the required filing date passed, you were again notified by email that penalties had begun to accrue. You violated ORS 171.745 and 171.752 by failing to submit your lobbyist expenditure report by the due dates.

The Commission may impose a civil penalty for this violation or it may issue a letter of education in lieu of a civil penalty as provided in 171.992(5). This letter of education is the sanction chosen by the Commission in this matter because we found no previous record of delinquent report filing and because of the proactive measures you have taken by accepting responsibility for the error and taking steps to avoid future problems. Additional violations, however, may carry increased penalties. If you have questions about any of the processes, please contact commission staff.

Sincerely,

Dan Golden
Commission Chair

