FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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June 28, 2011

Mr. David Kudo
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Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 11/340; David Kudo, Respondent

Dear Mr. Kudo:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "FPPC") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"),[1] found in Government Code section 81000, et seq. This letter is in response to a referral from our Technical Assistance Division that alleged you failed to file an Assuming Office Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700) when you started your position at the Sea Urchin Commission in 2004, any annual statements during your term, or a Leaving Office Statement when you left in 2009. The Act requires that persons designated in an agency's conflict of interest code file Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700) when they assume office, annually thereafter, and within 30 days of leaving their position.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case and found that you failed to file all of the statements noted above.

Your failure to file the required statements is a violation of the Act. (Gov. Code § 87300.) However, since you left your position on the Sea Urchin Commission in 2009, we are closing our file in this matter. This letter serves as a written warning. The information in this matter will be retained and may be considered should an enforcement action become necessary based on newly discovered information or future conduct. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act in the future will result in monetary penalties of up to $5,000 for each violation.

You must immediately file your Statements of Economic Interests noted above with the Sea Urchin Commission. Although the Enforcement Division is not seeking a penalty in the

[1] The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in sections 18109 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

current matter, you are still responsible for any late filing fees assessed by your filing officer. (Gov. Code § 91013.)

A warning letter is an FPPC case resolution without administrative prosecution or fine. However, the warning letter resolution does not provide you with the opportunity for a probable cause hearing or hearing before an Administrative Law Judge or the Fair Political Practices Commission. If you wish to avail yourself of these proceedings by requesting that your case proceed with prosecution rather than a warning, please notify us within ten (10) days from the date of this letter. Upon this notification, the FPPC will rescind this warning letter and proceed with administrative prosecution of this case. If we do not receive such notification, this warning letter will be posted on the FPPC's website ten (10) days from the date of this letter.

Please feel free to contact Jeanette Turvill at (916) 322-8194 with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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Gary S. Winuk, Chief
Enforcement Division

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cc: Technical Assistance Division