FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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December 8, 2009

Ms. Christine Gow
Citizens to Recall Kern for Fair & Balanced Government

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Mr. Jim Sullivan
Citizens to Recall Kern for Fair & Balanced Government

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RE: **Warning Letter, FPPC File No. 09/780;** Oceanside Firefighters' Assn Pac; Jessamyn Specht; Citizens to Recall Kern for Fair and Balanced Government; Christine Gow; Jim Sullivan; Citizens for the Preservation of Parks & Beaches; Shari B. Mackin; Carolyn Krammer

Dear Ms. Gow and Mr. Sullivan:

The Fair Political Practices Commission ("Commission") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act") found in Government Code Section 81000, and following. The Act requires committees to file, among other things, a Statement of Organization (Form 410), disclosing specific organizational information and also requires that document be amended within ten days of changes. (Section 84103(a).)

The Enforcement Division of the Commission received a complaint alleging that your committee became sponsored by the Oceanside Firefighters' Assn Pac, but that you failed to timely amend your Statement of Organization to reflect that activity. It appears that on April 20, 2009, the Oceanside Firefighters' Assn Pac provided 97% of the committee's contributions. By May 1, 2009, you should have amended the committee's Statement of Organization (Form 410) to correct the committee's name to include the name of the sponsor. That amendment did not occur until May 18, 2009.

Since the amendment was in fact filed, we have decided to close this matter with a warning letter. In the future, the committee is expected to timely comply with all reporting deadlines. If you need assistance complying with the Act, or need guidance regarding your obligations, please call the FPPC's Technical Assistance Division at (916) 322-5660, Monday through Thursday, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please also visit our website at www.fppc.ca.gov.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (916) 322-8194.

Sincerely

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Gary S. Winuk
Division Chief
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cc. Mr. Woodrow Higdon