



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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March 5, 2025

VietRise
Tracy La, Executive Director
14351 Euclid Street #1M
Garden Grove, CA 92843
Via email: general@vietrise.org; tracy@vietrise.org

Re: No Action Closure Letter: FPPC Case No. 23/368; Unknown Advertisements Yes on C

Dear Tracy La and VietRise:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the “Act”).¹ This letter is in response to an anonymous AdWatch submission alleging signs supporting Measure C prior to the June 7, 2022 Primary Election were posted without proper advertisement disclosures. After conducting our investigation and review of the case, we are closing this matter without further action due to insufficient evidence of a violation of the Act.

The Act defines “committee” to include any person or combination of persons who directly or indirectly receive contributions totaling \$2,000 or more in a calendar year or make independent expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more in a calendar year.² Generally, the Act requires committees to include a disclosure on any advertisement paid for by the committee.³ The disclosure must include the words “Ad Paid for by” followed by the name of the committee.⁴

There is insufficient evidence to show that VietRise qualified as a committee under the Act requiring it to include advertisement disclosures in its advertisement. Additionally, our investigation did not reveal sufficient evidence of the source of the anonymous advertisements at issue. Therefore, we are closing this matter without further action. If you have questions, please contact me at (279) 237-5978 or cbernabe@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Cinthya Bernabe
Cinthya Bernabe
Commission Counsel
Enforcement Division

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code §§ 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in §§ 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.

² Section 82013.

³ Section 84502.

⁴ *Id.*