



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

The Honorable Martha Coakley
Attorney General
State of Massachusetts
One Ashburton Place
Boston, MA 02108

JUL 23 2010

RE: MUR 6216
Martha Coakley

Dear Madam Attorney General:

On October 14, 2009, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. On July 14, 2010, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint, and information provided by the responses in this matter, that there is no reason to believe that you violated the Act or Commission regulations with respect to the asset sale agreement. The Commission also dismissed allegations related to the hiring of consultants on the basis of prosecutorial discretion as outlined in Heckler v. Chaney, 470 U.S. 821 (1985). Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter. A Statement of Reasons further explaining the basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70426 (Dec. 18, 2003) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66132 (Dec. 14, 2009).

If you have any questions, please contact William A. Powers, the attorney assigned to this matter at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Roy Q. Lockett".

Roy Q. Lockett
Acting Assistant General Counsel

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