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STATE OF DELAWARE
— office of the —
STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER

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Dear Treasurer:

The filing deadline for the Year-End Campaign Finance Report was January 20 which was extended until February 2014. Fines of \$50/day began accruing on Friday, February 21.

Please see the pertinent section of Delaware Code, Title 15, below:

§ 8044 Tardy and incomplete reports.

(a) Any reporting party who fails to file or deliver to the Commissioner any report required under this chapter shall be assessed a fine by the Commissioner of \$50 for each day that such report is tardy in delivery to the Commissioner. In the event any report required under this chapter shall be incomplete, such report shall be deemed tardy for purposes of this section. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a reporting party shall be entitled to an automatic, 1-time 24-hour extension hereunder, provided such party notifies the Commissioner in writing thereof no later than 11:59 p.m. on the date such report is due.

(b) In the event a report is incomplete or otherwise tardy, the Commissioner shall immediately notify the reporting party thereof in writing. Such notice shall state that a fine is being assessed for each late day, and to the extent applicable, shall also specify why such report is incomplete. Upon receipt of such notice, the reporting party shall have 30 days to appeal such fine in writing to the Commissioner. In the event of an appeal, the reporting party shall have the opportunity to show the Commissioner that such tardiness is due to reasonable cause and not willful neglect. If the Commissioner determines that such tardiness is not due to reasonable cause, or the reporting party fails to timely file an appeal, such fine shall constitute a debt due and owing the State, assessable by the Commissioner and recoverable against the reporting party.

If a tardy report is not filed or corrected within 30 days following: (c)

A determination by the Commissioner that such tardiness is not due to reasonable cause; or (1)

The expiration of the appeal period set forth in subsection (b) of this section, (2)

then the Commissioner shall notify the Office of the Attorney General that the reporting party has failed to file such report.

If you have not filed your report at this time, please do so. Contact Paul Baldwin from this office if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elaine Manlove".

Elaine Manlove
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