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Lieutenant Governor Sean Pamell

May 15, 2008

Scott Kohlhaas 6701 East 6th Avenue, Unit 24 Anchorage, Alaska 99504

Re: 07ANCO, Public Resources & Political Activities

Dear Mr. Kohlhaas:

I have reviewed the petition for your initiative entitled, "An Initiative Creating an Alaska Anti-Corruption Act," and have determined that the petition was properly filed. Specifically, the petition was signed by qualified voters (1) equal in number to 10 percent of those who voted in the preceding general election; (2) resident in at least three-fourths of the house districts in the state; and (3) who, in each of the house districts, are equal in number to at least seven percent of those who voted in the preceding general election in the house district. To date, the Division of Elections has verified 28,629 voter signatures, and the petition exceeds the requirements for house districts. A copy of the Petition Statistics Report prepared by the Division of Elections is enclosed.

With the assistance of the attorney general, I have prepared the following ballot title and proposition that meets the requirements of AS 15.45.180:

INITIATIVE PROHIBITING PUBLIC FUNDS FOR ELECTION CAMPAIGNS: ALSO PROHIBITING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS BY HOLDERS OF GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

This bill would ban the use of public funds for political campaigns and lobbying. Funds could not be used to support or oppose a ballot measure. The bill would limit political involvement in government contracts. It would ban political contributions by holders of government contracts. It would ban legislators and their staff from being employed by holders of government contracts for two years after leaving state service. The bill has criminal and civil penalties.

Should this initiative become law?

This ballot proposition will appear on the election ballot of the first statewide general, special, or primary election that is held after (1) the petition has been filed; (2) a legislative session has convened and adjourned; and (3) a period of 120 days has expired since the adjournment of the legislative session. Because your petition was not filed before the 2008 Legislature convened, the measure is not eligible for the 2008 Election ballots. Barring an unforescen special election, this proposition is scheduled to appear on the 2010 Primary Election ballot. If a majority of the votes cast on the initiative proposition favor its adoption, and the proposed law is enacted, I shall so certify. The act becomes effective 90 days after certification.

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Please be advised that under AS 15.45.210, this petition will be void if I, with the formal concurrence of the attorney general, determine that an act of the legislature—that is substantially the same as the proposed law—was enacted after the petition has been filed and before the date of the election. I will advise you in writing of my determination in this matter.

Because your petition was properly filed, you are entitled to a refund of the \$100.00 deposit that accompanied your application. By copy of this letter, I am directing the Director of Administrative Services to provide that refund to you. If you have questions or comments about the ongoing initiative process, please contact my Special Assistant, Jason Hooley, at (907) 465-4082.

Sincerely,

Sean Parnell

Lieutenant Governor

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Enclosures

cc:

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