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BY EMAIL

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Attn: Mr. Peter Smith, President
c/o George Orle
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BY EMAIL

Dear Mr. Krosney and Mr. Smith:

Re: Complaint re Lucid Vitality

After the last general election, Mr. Krosney, on behalf of the NDP, asked me to investigate an expenditure of \$3800.00, shown as an election expense on the PC Party's financial statements. The expenditure purported to be for a car rental, but the invoice was from a company called Lucid Vitality, whose website described the owner as an "intimacy coach". Mr. Krosney was concerned that an intimacy coach was unlikely to be in the car rental business, and that whatever services an intimacy coach might provide were unlikely to be legitimate election expenses. Mr. Krosney's concerns were not allayed by internal PC emails that had been sent by an employee of the PC Party to the CEO and CFO, one of which Mr. Krosney quoted as saying that "Recording this transaction as a car rental would be falsifying the financial record".

In the circumstances, I agreed that an investigation was warranted. That investigation is now complete, and I am writing to report on our findings.

The PC Party advised our investigator that the expense was, in fact, for a car rental as shown on the invoice. They explained it this way:

The PC Party rented the vehicle privately because it did not want to limit the number of possible drivers, which would likely have been required for a rental from a rental car company. The vehicle was an SUV, a 2018 Grand Cherokee, registered to a Mr. Gaetan Infantino, who had an indirect connection to someone working for the PC Party campaign. Mr. Infantino is the partner of Chelsy Brause, the principal of Lucid Vitality.

The vehicle was rented from August 16 to October 4, 2023, a period of 50 days. Throughout that period, when not in use, it was parked outside the party's campaign headquarters on Inkster Boulevard. The car was used for 21 separate campaign events as well as for picking up and delivery various supplies throughout the rental period. It was also used to transport people for door knocking.

We were provided with a list of the specific events for which the car was used and a list of five people who were the primary drivers of the car during the campaign. The investigator spoke to three of the five people whose names had been provided as drivers. All of them had been volunteers and remembered driving for the PC Party during the campaign. One of them had no firm recollection of the type of vehicle, one of them remembered the vehicle was a Jeep SUV, and one of them remembered that the vehicle was a Jeep Cherokee.

The PC Party preferred to make vendor payments to a corporate entity. Because Mr. Infantino did not have a corporation, he issued the invoice under his wife's company, Lucid Vitality. When the nature of Lucid Vitality's business was discovered by campaign staff, it appears that a decision was made to request a new invoice in Ms. Brause's name. That was not done until February of 2024, but on February 22, 2024 a new invoice was delivered.

This explanation is, in my view, a plausible one, particularly given the alternative. The alternative appears to be that someone obtained intimacy coaching services from Lucid Vitality, Lucid Vitality agreed to issue a fraudulent invoice to the PC Party for those services describing them as a "car rental", someone at the PC Party approved the invoice, even though it was for a car that was never rented, and finally, a number of people conspired to create a document trail, listing five bogus drivers and claiming, falsely, that the car was used for 21 separate campaign events.

One other matter should perhaps be considered. Mr. Krosney's complaint quoted Mr. Kamanga's internal PC Party email as saying "Recording this transaction as a car rental would be falsifying the financial record". Unfortunately, Mr. Kamanga is no longer with the PC Party and our investigator did not locate him. Having reviewed the investigation report, however, I do not believe that interviewing Mr. Kamanga is necessary. The email quoted by Mr. Krosney was published in an article in the Winnipeg Sun. It is clear from that email, and the other emails sent by Mr. Kamanga that I have reviewed, that Mr. Kamanga's concern was based upon the nature of Lucid Vitality's business and his apparent belief that if a car had been rented, it would have been rented from a car rental company. Mr. Kamanga had no firsthand knowledge of the circumstances and, perhaps regrettably, it appears that when he made inquiries he was never provided with a full explanation. For the reasons I have outlined, having now received that full

explanation, I am satisfied that the expense was indeed for a car rental, as the invoice described.

Yours truly,



Bill Bowles
Commissioner of Elections for Manitoba