

October 23, 2018

SENT VIA EMAIL

File No. 2018-7-012

RE: Complaint to the Office of the Election Commissioner

Dear

I am writing to inform you about the outcome of your complaint to the Office of the Election Commissioner.

On July 19, 2018 you submitted an email concerning corporate support for a nomination contestant, Haley Wile, in Red Deer, Alberta.

This matter was investigated my Office and it was determined that an offence was committed under the *Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act* ("the Act"). Specifically, Ms. Wile was found to have violated section 35(1)(a) of the Act when she accepted an illegal contribution from Red Deer Motors. Further, Red Deer Motors was found to have violated sections 15.1 and 16 of the Act as corporations are strictly prohibited from contributing to any political campaigns in Alberta.

As a result of this investigation, Ms. Wile was given a letter of reprimand and repaid the illegal contribution. In addition, Red Deer Motors was issued a letter of reprimand. The findings of the investigation were also published on our website at https://albertaelectioncommissioner.ca/letters-of-reprimand.

Yours sincerely,

Lorne R. Gibson

Election Commissioner of Alberta

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