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State Auditor's Office

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June 12, 2006

Mr. Drake Hill Chairman, Wyoming Republican Party P.O. Box 241 Casper, WY 82602

RE: Public Records Request

Dear Drake:

We received your letter dated June 9, 2006, requesting information under the Public Records Act.

We have forwarded your letter to Pat Crank, Attorney General, as the documentation regarding contracts, agreements, and Memoranda pertaining to "outside legal counsel" would be retained in the Attorney General's Office.

The other contract information you requested would be available through the Administration and Information Procurement Office.

Sincerely,

Gary Stephenson

Deputy State Auditor

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cc: Pat Crank, Attorney General

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State Capitol Building Cheyenne, Wy 82002

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June 9, 2006

Office of the State Auditor Attention: Records Custodian State Capitol, Room 114 Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

Re: Public Records Request Under the Provisions of the Wyoming Public Records Act Wyo.Stat. §§ 16-4-201 et. seq.

Dear Records Custodian:

Pursuant to the Wyoming Public Records Act (Wyo.Stat. §§ 16-4-201 et seq), the Wyoming Republican Party respectfully requests that it be provided with the opportunity to inspect and potentially copy certain documents and materials that relate to contracts that have been entered into since January, 2003 between the Office of the Governor and "outside legal counsel" or other consultants; the Wyoming Attorney General's Office and "outside legal counsel" or other consultants; or any State agency, department, board or commission, and "outside legal counsel" or other consultants. In making this request, the Wyoming Republican Party uses the phrase "outside legal counsel" to refer to those attorneys who are not considered "employees" of the State of Wyoming, but who may have been appointed or retained as "special assistant attorneys general" for particular projects or contracts.

The Wyoming Republican Party seeks to inspect the following documents:

- All documents and materials of any kind whatsoever, including but not limited to, contracts, agreements, Memoranda of Understanding, or Memoranda of Agreement, related to the Governor's Office retention or use of outside legal assistance since January, 2003.
- All documents and materials of any kind whatsoever, including but not limited to, contracts, agreements, Memoranda of Understanding, or Memoranda of Agreement, related to the Wyoming Attorney General's Office retention or use of outside legal assistance since January, 2003.
- All documents and materials of any kind whatsoever, including but not limited to, contracts, agreements, Memoranda of Understanding, or Memoranda of Agreement, whereby a State agency, department, board or commission retained or used outside legal assistance since January, 2003.

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- 4. All documents and materials of any kind whatsoever related to any "sole source" contracts entered into by the Office of the Governor, the Wyoming Attorney General's Office, or any State agency, department, board, or commission, for legal or other services provided.
- 5. All documents and materials of any kind whatsoever related to any contracts, agreements, Memoranda of Understanding, or Memoranda of Agreement entered into between the State of Wyoming (or the Governor's Office, the Wyoming Attorney General's Office, or any agency, department, board or commission) and Bill Sniffin, or any company, entity, business, or venture related in any way to Bill Sniffin.

The phrase "[a]ll documents and materials of any kind whatsoever," is intended to be interpreted in its broadest sense possible, regardless of the physical form or characteristic, and includes those documents that are maintained in hard-copy form, in electronic form, or on micro-film. This request includes all materials in your files, whether created by you, another State Agency, a Federal Agency, private organizations, public organizations, governmental entities, or individuals.

If you conclude that any of the requested information is exempt from disclosure, we respectfully request that the subject information be identified by document, along with the statutory basis for the claimed exemption. If only a portion of a file or document is exempt from release, we request that the remainder be provided, again with an explanation of the statutory basis for the claimed exemption.

If you find that the requested documents do not exist, we request a letter from your office stating that the documents do not exist.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to hearing from you as to when a representative of our organization may inspect the documents identified above. At this time we ask only that you make the documents available for inspection. Upon review of the documents, we may request copies of selected information. We will not pay for copies of any information not specifically requested upon review.

Sincerely,

Drake D. Hill Chairman