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September 8, 2022

DREW SMITH, TREASURER
WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS II, LLC POLITICAL
ACTION COMMITTEE
4001 RODNEY PARHAM ROAD
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Response Due Date 10/13/2022

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00425975

REFERENCE: AUGUST MONTHLY REPORT (07/01/2022 - 07/31/2022)

## Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 1 item(s):

- Schedule B supporting Line 29 of your report discloses a disbursement for "\*\*Fraudulent Check" totaling \$3,234.67. This transaction appears to be related to an apparent unauthorized disbursement of Committee funds.

The Commission notes the memo text attached to your report stating, "On 7/27/2022 a fraudulent check cleared the bank account. The Bank has been alerted of the activity and a request to reverse it has been made. Additional security features are being added to the bank account in order to prevent this from reoccurring."

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this apparent improper use of Committee funds, any further clarifying information that you can provide will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR § 102.9, 102.15, and 104.3)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will

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## not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. For information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees. For more information about Requests for Additional Information (RFAI), why you received a letter, and how to respond, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/request-additional-information. Should you have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number(202) 694-1175.

Sincerely,

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