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Hello Mr. Cotton,

Thank you for your Public Records Act (PRA) request. This email responds to your inquiry, including your references to Government Code § 81008.

We are continuing to conduct a search for responsive records under the PRA, and any documents within the scope of your request will be provided once they are identified.

We also wish to clarify several points regarding your interpretation of Government Code § 81008:

Government Code § 81008 applies only to individuals who appear in person at the agency to inspect and make copies of reports or statements filed under the Political Reform Act.

Because your inquiry was submitted as a written request for records, it is governed by the California Public Records Act (CPRA) rather than § 81008.

Section 81008 applies solely to “reports or statements” filed under the Political Reform Act.

Many of the items you requested do not fall within that category and are therefore not governed by § 81008. Making Requests 2–7 governed by CPRA.

Furthermore, neither § 81008 nor the CPRA requires the agency to provide legal interpretation or analysis. Some portions of your request ask the Commission to interpret statutory provisions. The CPRA requires the disclosure of existing, identifiable records; it does not obligate agencies to create legal opinions or offer statutory interpretation.

We will continue to process your PRA request and will provide responsive records as they are located, consistent with the requirements of the Act.

Please be advised that both your request and this response constitute public records and may be subject to disclosure upon receipt of an appropriate request. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at [cpa@fppc.ca.gov](mailto:cpa@fppc.ca.gov).

Please feel free to reach out if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

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