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Registered Political Party's Fiscal Period Return



The Green Party of Saskatchewan

Name of Registered Political Party

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To: Robert Cosbey, Chief Official Agent for The Green Party of Saskatchewan for submission to the Chief Electoral Officer of Saskatchewan in accordance with section 250(4) of the *Election Act (1996)*.

Report on the Return

We have audited the accompanying Registered Political Party's Fiscal Period Return (the "Return") of The Green Party of Saskatchewan, which comprises the summary of Contributions – Part I and the summary of Expenditures – Part II for the fiscal period ending December 31, 2013.

This Return has been prepared by the Chief Official Agent for The Green Party of Saskatchewan based on the financial reporting provisions of Section 250 of the *Elections Act (1996)* and in the prescribed form issued by the Provincial Elections Office.

The Chief Official Agent's Responsibility for the Return

The Chief Official Agent of the party is responsible for the preparation of the Return in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Section 250 of the *Elections Act (1996)* and in the prescribed form issued by the Provincial Elections Office and for such internal control as the chief official agent determines is necessary to enable the preparation of a Return that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Return based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements, and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the Return is free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the Return. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the Return, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the Return in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal controls. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the chief official agent, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Return.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

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Independent Auditors' Report (*continued*)

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Due to the inherent nature of the transactions of registered political parties, the completeness of contributions and other revenue and expenses is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these amounts was limited to the amounts recorded in the registered political party's accounting records and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to contributions and other revenue, expenses, assets, liabilities and net assets.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the Registered Political Party's Fiscal Period Return of The Green Party of Saskatchewan for the fiscal period ending December 31, 2013 is prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Section 250 of the *Elections Act (1996)* and in the prescribed form issued by the Provincial Elections Office.

Basis of Accounting and Restrictions on Use

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to the Note to the Return, which describes the basis of accounting. The Return is prepared to assist the Chief Official Agent of the registered political party to meet the requirements of the *Elections Act (1996)*. As a result, the Return may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the Chief Official Agent and the Chief Electoral Officer, and should not be used by other parties.

Report On Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

As required by subsection 237(4) of *The Election Act, 1996*, in our opinion, the Return presents the information contained in the accounting records on which it is based.

REGINA, Saskatchewan
April 29, 2014


Mintz & Wallace
Chartered Accountants LLP

THE GREEN PARTY, SASKATCHEWAN SECTION

Notes to the Registered Political Party's Fiscal Period Return
December 31, 2013

(This note must be attached to the Return)

1. Basis of Accounting

The Registered Political Party's Fiscal Period Return has been prepared in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Section 250 of *The Election Act, 1996* and the accounting guidelines issued by Elections Saskatchewan.

The Return is prepared to assist the Chief Official Agent to meet the requirements of *The Election Act, 1996*. The Return is intended solely for the use of the Chief Official Agent and the Chief Electoral Officer. Accordingly, readers are cautioned that the Return may not be suitable for another purpose. *The Election Act, 1996* requires that the Return be made available for public inspection.

Registered Political Party	Fiscal period ending	Y	M	D
Green Party, Saskatchewan Section		2013/12/31		

Note

1. This Return must be transmitted to the Chief Electoral Officer within four (4) months after the end of the fiscal period to which it relates.

Subsection 250(4)

2. This Return must be accompanied by the auditor's report to the chief official agent of the party on the information given in this Return.

Subsection 250(4)

3. The value of goods and services provided is the "Commercial Value" as defined in subsection 220(c).

On Behalf of the

The Green Party of Saskatchewan

Name of Registered Political Party

Return

I, Robert Cosbey of [REDACTED]
Name Address

Mailing Address (if different from the residential address) Postal Code


Telephone Number Residence () Business ()

in the Province of Saskatchewan, being the chief official agent of the above-named registered political party

make the following Return respecting the fiscal period of the party which commenced on the

1 day of January, 2013, and which terminated on the

31 day of December, 2013.


Signature of Chief Official Agent

29 April 2014
Date

Part I

Contributions

(a) Summary of Contributions

List below, by class of contributor, the aggregate amounts of (A) contributions in excess of \$250.00, (B) contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00, and (C) contributions of \$25.00 or less, and the number of contributors of each class who, in the fiscal period, have provided money, goods or services for the use of the registered political party by way of a gift, loan, advance, deposit, or other form of assistance (includes goods or services donated or provided at other than their true value).

Class of Contributor	Number of Contributors	Value of Contributions
1. Individuals	97	6,815.53
2. Corporations		
3. Trade Unions		
4. Unincorporated Organizations or Associations		
5. Any Other Persons or Groups of Persons		1,070.48
Totals		7,886.01

Note: Amounts received in respect of membership fees or dues are deemed to be contributions (s. 250(5)).

Part I

Contributions

(b) Detail of Contributions

Contributions include money provided to or on behalf of the registered political party without compensation from the registered political party and includes donations in kind and membership fees or dues paid to the registered political party.

Detail of the name of and total amount received from each contributor included in classes 1 to 5 in Part (a) who have provided money, goods or services by way of a gift, loan, advance, deposit or other form of assistance must be reported in the aggregate by classification in the appropriate schedule. Such contributions are to be identified in one of three categories: (A) contributions in excess of \$250.00, (B) contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00, and (C) contributions of \$25.00 or less. The sum of the categories should reflect the total contributions received, in the fiscal period, for the use of the registered political party in each classification schedule.

Where a corporation, trust fund or constituency association makes a contribution, pursuant to subsection 240(6) of *The Election Act, 1996*, each such contribution must be accompanied by a statement which sets out the name of the person who authorized the contribution on behalf of the corporation, trust fund or constituency association, and the name of and the amount contributed by, each person who made a contribution in excess of \$250.00 in a year and whose contribution was used to make up the funds contributed by the corporation, trust fund or constituency association.

Where a registered party makes a contribution, pursuant to subsection 240(7) of *The Election Act, 1996*, each such contribution must be accompanied by a statement which sets out the name of and the amount contributed by, each person who made a contribution in excess of \$250.00 in a year and whose contribution was used to make up the funds contributed by the registered party.

A true and correct copy, certified by the chief official agent, for each such statement of contribution received pursuant to subsections 240(6) and (7), must be affixed to this Return (ss. 250(3)).

Revenue received by a registered political party, during the fiscal period, from fund-raising activities, meetings and sales of material of a promotional nature are deemed contributions. The total net proceeds from each source indicated must be recorded and, in the aggregate, reported in this Return.

The value of donations in kind must be recorded and included as a contribution received by the chief official agent where claimed as an election expense. Accordingly, commercial value is an election expense and a contribution concurrently.

Schedule: 1. Individuals

(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00

Note: List below, all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeded \$250.00.

Name of Contributor	Amount
Darcy Robillard	1,295.00
Penny Swartz	700.00
Louie Kennedy	750.00
Sheila Liota	400.00
Benjamin Harmsworth	266.70
Evangeline Gordon	305.83

List additional contributors on separate sheet provided and affix to this Return.

List Attached No Number of Pages _____
Yes / No

Number of Contributors 6
 Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions 3,717.53

(B) Contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00

Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any individual, of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00.

Number of Contributors 26
 Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions 2,338.00

(C) Contributions of \$25.00 or less

Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any individual, of \$25.00 or less.

Number of Contributors 65
 Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions 760.00

Total Number of Contributors 97
Total Contributions 6,815.53

(Sum of Categories (A), (B) and (C))

Enter Totals on Part 1(a) Summary of Contributions Line 1.

Schedule: 2. Corporations**(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00****Note:** List below, all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeded \$250.00.

Name of Contributor	Amount

List additional contributors on separate sheet provided and affix to this Return.

List Attached _____ Number of Pages _____
 Yes / No

Number of Contributors _____

Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions _____

(B) Contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00**Note:** Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any corporation, of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00.

Number of Contributors _____

Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions _____

(C) Contributions of \$25.00 or less**Note:** Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any corporation, of \$25.00 or less.

Number of Contributors _____

Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions _____

Total Number of Contributors _____**Total Contributions** _____

(Sum of Categories (A), (B) and (C))

Enter Totals on Part 1(a) Summary of Contributions Line 2.

Schedule: 3. Trade Unions

(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00

Note: List below, all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeded \$250.00.

Name of Contributor	Amount

List additional contributors on separate sheet provided and affix to this Return.

List Attached _____ Number of Pages _____
 Yes / No

Number of Contributors _____
 Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions _____

(B) Contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00

Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any trade union, of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00.

Number of Contributors _____
 Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions _____

(C) Contributions of \$25.00 or less

Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any trade union, of \$25.00 or less.

Number of Contributors _____
 Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions _____

Total Number of Contributors _____
Total Contributions _____
 (Sum of Categories (A), (B) and (C))

Enter Totals on Part 1(a) Summary of Contributions Line 3.

Schedule: 4. Unincorporated Organizations or Associations

(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00

Note: List below, all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeded \$250.00.

Name of Contributor	Amount

List additional contributors on separate sheet provided and affix to this Return.

List Attached _____ Number of Pages _____
Yes / No

Number of Contributors _____

Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions _____

(B) Contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00

Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any unincorporated organization or association, of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00.

Number of Contributors _____

Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions _____

(C) Contributions of \$25.00 or less

Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any unincorporated organization or association, of \$25.00 or less.

Number of Contributors _____

Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions _____

Total Number of Contributors _____

Total Contributions _____

(Sum of Categories (A), (B) and (C))

Enter Totals on Part 1(a) Summary of Contributions Line 4.

Schedule: 5. Any Other Persons or Groups of Persons

(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00

Note: List below, all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeded \$250.00.

Name of Contributor	Amount

List additional contributors on separate sheet provided and affix to this Return.

List Attached _____ Number of Pages _____
 Yes / No

Number of Contributors _____
 Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions _____

(B) Contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00

Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any other person or group of persons, of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00.

Number of Contributors _____
 Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions _____

(C) Contributions of \$25.00 or less

Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received during the fiscal period, from any other person or group of persons, of \$25.00 or less.

Number of Contributors _____
 Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions _____

Total Number of Contributors _____

Total Contributions 1,070.48

(Sum of Categories (A), (B) and (C))

Enter Totals on Part 1(a) Summary of Contributions Line 5.

Part I

Contributions

(c) Proceeds from Other Sources - Summary

Set out below the aggregate value of net proceeds received by the registered political party during the fiscal period from the sources as indicated.

Source	Amount
1. Sales of tickets to or monies paid to each dinner, rally, public meeting and other fund-raising function.	
2. Collections made at events mentioned in item 1 above or other events.	1,070.48
3. Sales of pins, buttons, flags, emblems, hats, banners, literature and other materials.	
Total	1,070.48

Enter Total on Schedule: 5. Any Other Persons or Groups of Persons of Part 1(b) Detail of Contributions

Part I

Other Revenue

(a) Income from Other Sources

Set out below the total value of income received by the registered political party during the fiscal period from the sources as indicated.

Source	Amount
1. Election Expenses/Auditor Reimbursement(s)	
2. Candidates' Excess Contributions	
3. Interest/Investment Income	
4. Other (Provide Details)	
Total	

(b) Cash on Hand

Set out the amount of money, securities or the equivalent of money that the registered political party has on hand at the end of the fiscal period.

2,197.63

Part II

Expenditures

(a) Operating Expenditures

Set out below the total operating expenses of the registered political party during the fiscal period.

Note: Omit election expenses incurred which related to an election held during the fiscal period.

Operating Expenses		Amount
1. Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits		2,400.00
2. Travelling Expenses		853.18
3. Conventions and Meetings		1,175.38
4. Rental (Premises, Equipment and Utilities)		603.31
5. Advertising (Particulars to be set out in Part II(b))		
6. Printing, Stationery and Supplies		494.39
7. Postage		281.40
8. Legal and Audit Fees		1,100.00
9. Interest		
10. Taxes (Property)		
11. Other (Provide Details)	Bank Fees: 19.14 Paypal Fees: 56.46 Website Expenses: 25.69	101.29
	Total	7,008.95

Part II

Expenditures

(b) Advertising Expenditures

Set out below the particulars of expenditures on advertising of the registered political party during the fiscal period.

Note: Subsection 243(4) limits the amount of money a registered party can spend during a fiscal period on advertising. This limit does not apply to election expenses which may be lawfully incurred by a registered political party.

Name of Broadcaster or Publisher	Date of Advertisement	Amount
Total		

Part II

Expenditures

(c) All Other Expenditures

Set out below any transfer of monies or other expenses incurred by the registered political party during the fiscal period.

Other Expenditures	Amount
1. Transfer to Provincial Constituencies and Candidates	
2. Transfer to Federal Electoral Districts	
3. Transfer to Registered Party	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
Total	



Declaration of a Chief Official Agent of a Registered Political Party

I, Robert Cosby of [REDACTED],

Chief Official Agent of The Green Party of Saskatchewan, a registered political party,

solemnly declare that I have examined the Fiscal Period Return, along with any attached certified statements to be transmitted to the Chief Electoral Officer and now shown to me by the officer before whom this declaration is made, and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that Return and any attached certified statements are correct;

and I further solemnly declare that, except as specified in the Return, no money, security, or equivalent for money has been paid, advanced, given or deposited by anyone to me or, to the best of my knowledge and belief, to any other person for the purpose of defraying any expenses incurred on behalf of the registered political party or for promoting its aims;

and I further solemnly declare that, except as appears from that Return, I have not, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, no person, club, society, company or association has, on behalf of the registered political party, made any payment or incurred any liability on account of or with respect to the conduct or management of the affairs of the registered political party;

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of the **Canada Evidence Act**.

[Handwritten Signature]
Signature of Chief Official Agent

Signed and declared before me by the above-named Chief Official Agent at Regina in the

Province of Saskatchewan, on the 29th day of April, 2014.

[Handwritten Signature]
Person Authorized to Administer Oaths in Saskatchewan