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From: VIVIAN KRAUSE <vivian.krause@me.com>

To: Michael Marx <mmarx@corpethics.org>

Date: October 04, 2010 1:26:51 PM

Michael,

Thank you for taking time to respond to my e-mail.

I am surprised that you decline to answer any questions about your sources of funding and how that's spent.

Your campaign against Alberta oil is a campaign against one of Canada's most important industries. Its fair for Canadians to inquire about who's funding this campaign, and why.

In my opinion, your lack of transparency is not in keeping with the standards of conduct that most people would consider fair. Put simply, I believe that Corporate Ethics International's secrecy is unethical. I hope that you will please reconsider.

Sincerely,
Vivian

On Oct 01, 2010, at 11:45 AM, Michael Marx <mmarx@corpethics.org> wrote:

Vivian, Our policy is to maintain the confidentiality of our funders and the purpose of that funding. Thus in the future I will not respond to your inquiries. You may wish to contact the foundation directly. This one time I will respond by noting that RBF funding was for other purposes, not Rethink Alberta. The website to which you refer is not the Rethink Alberta website. Best, Michael

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Sent: Friday, October 01, 2010 10:32 AM

To: mmarx@corpethics.org

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Subject: RETHINK ALBERTA

Michael,

Further to my e-mail below, I would also like to know how CEI is spending the \$750,000 from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund.

Is money from the Rockefeller Brothers being used for the billboards that are being put up by the RETHINK ALBERTA campaign?

As you'll notice, I've copied the Rockefeller Brothers Fund on this e-mail.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
Vivian Krause
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Begin forwarded message:

From: VIVIAN KRAUSE <vivian.krause@me.com>
Date: September 29, 2010 11:54:27 AM
To: mmarx@corpethics.org
Subject: RETHINK ALBERTA

Michael,

Thank you for speaking with me briefly today.

I have been following your campaign against the Alberta Oil Sands and I have a few questions about your sources of funding.

I noticed in the recent CBC documentary that you mentioned getting funding from U.S. foundations. I also noticed in the grants database of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund that RBF paid CEI \$750,000 for a campaign to stem demand for oil derived from Alberta's oil sands, and that RBF also paid for a web-site about "oil sands tourism."

My questions are:

- 1) Did CEI produce the RETHINK ALBERTA web-site with funds from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund?
- 2) Of the total budget for the RETHINK ALBERTA campaign, what percentage is the \$750,000 from RBF?

In advance, thank you for taking time to answer these initial questions.

Sincerely,
Vivian Krause

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