2013 Lobbyist Registration Audit of
Robert Hobart

FINDINGS

Mr. Robert Hobart failed to timely register as a lobbyist for his employer (See Registrations section).

EMPLOYER

- The Babcock & Wilcox Company

REGISTRATIONS

Mr. Hobart registered as a lobbyist for one employer during 2013. Mr. Hobart was an employee/associate for a firm contracted with The Babcock & Wilcox Company for lobbying services for 2013. There was no lobbying relationship in the prior year. The lobby relationship was formalized by a contract signed by the lobbyist on April 3, 2013. However, based on discussions with the firm administrator, Mr. Hobart commenced services under the contract in February 2013. Based on this statement, it appears the lobbying relationship commenced in February 2013. As no exact day was provided, the audit determined Mr. Hobart had to register within seven days of the end of February (or March 7, 2013) to be compliant with the statute. The lobbyist did not register until June 25, 2013, 110 days late.

LOBBYING AGREEMENTS

Based on a review of the audit documentation provided by Mr. Hobart, he was a contracted lobbyist during 2013. The lobbying relationships with each employer were established through a firm where he was an employee/associate. The firm had a written agreement with the employer. Based on this agreement and the lobbyists employment status with the firm it appears the terms of the lobbying relationship are within the statutes for lobbying activities including having no terms for contingency payments based on lobbying success.

FAMILY OR BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS WITH PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Mr. Hobart reported he had no business or familial relationships with persons who were officials in the legislative branch or officials in the executive branch.

TRAINING & FEES

Based on review of the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records, Mr. Hobart fulfilled his required lobbyist training for the 2013 registration year and paid all registration fees.