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## via U.S. Mail and Email (jcohen@wnpr.org)

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Jeff Cohen WNPR 1049 Asylum Avenue Hartford, CT 06105

Dear Jeff:

Thank you for sending me various emails that you think are somehow significant or involve my client, Treasurer Adam Cloud, in some sort of bad behavior. I'm happy to say that you are wrong. The emails that I have reviewed that you have sent to me do prove one thing, and that is that Adam is a human, like anyone else, and simply forgot about sending a Back9Network Prospectus to some people at Cato Capital on or about November 13, 2012. This is a meaningless event insofar as Cato Capital did not get any business from the City of Hartford, and, secondly, to our knowledge never invested in Back9Network.

You asked us whether or not the City of Hartford has done any business with Vistria. The answer is no. The City has done no business with TruGreen or Cato. The City has done a bond deal with Wells Fargo. Wells Fargo was selected by an RFP process and awarded as a result of their financial professionals' prior investment banking experience.

With regard to Adam getting any "gear" from any of the people in the emails, the answer is very simply, yes. He did receive a golf glove and a pair of golf shoes, both as gifts (by the way, the golf shoes did not fit), and they were from people who had absolutely nothing to do with the City of Hartford and, as such, could not be an Ethics violation.

Let me be very clear once again – the Treasurer has not violated the Hartford Code of Ethics. He does not apologize for promoting Hartford businesses. There is no connection between investments in the Back9Network and doing business with the City of Hartford.

Sincerely

John F. Droney, Jr.

Attorney for Adam Cloud

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