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Meijer Statement regarding conciliation agreement with Michigan Department of State

Meijer has accepted full responsibility for violations of campaign finance laws related to its project in Acme Township, Michigan. In recent days, Meijer signed two agreements with the Michigan Department of State, accepted the civil fines and costs determined by the Department of State, and pledged that future problems of this nature will not occur.

These agreements resulted from the self report submitted in February by Meijer to the Department of State which indicated that Meijer may have violated campaign finance laws. Meijer fully cooperated with the comprehensive review conducted by the Department of State and shared the results of the independent investigation that Meijer requested by election law expert John Pirich of the Honigman, Miller law firm.

As part of the agreements, Meijer Inc. accepts responsibility for payment of civil fines of \$129,901.25 and a late filing fee of \$4,800. In addition, the Meijer PAC must turn over to the state \$55,437.56 of funds that would have been expended had Meijer properly engaged the Meijer PAC. Meijer also agreed to file the necessary documents to fully comply with the requirements of the campaign finance laws.

“We know our actions in Acme Township have caused people to be disappointed in us,” said Hank Meijer, Co-Chairman. “We are committed to restoring the trust placed in us and serving our communities with the highest level of integrity.”

Meijer has instituted processes, policy and structural changes to ensure the circumstances that occurred in Acme Township cannot be repeated. These relate to controls for political contributions, and effectively partnering with outside parties.

“We at Meijer deeply regret this situation. I am confident this was an aberration in an otherwise strongly community oriented company.” said Mark Murray, president of Meijer. “We can assure the communities in which we operate that steps have been taken to ensure this kind of situation will never occur again.”