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To: Colin Odell, Chairman  
Hamden Ethics Commission

Re: June 25, 2008 Ethics Commission Meeting

Dear Mr. Odell:

This will confirm receipt of your correspondence dated June 20, 2008.

I am not available to attend the Special Meeting of the Board of Ethics scheduled for June 25, 2008. However, I will continue to be attentive to your requests with prompt written responses to your questions.

The following is in response to the requests for clarifications and questions posed in your most recent letter:

1. Clarification of the reasoning for charging depreciation to an account not identified as depreciation.

*Depreciation was appropriately charged to the line item Vehicle Maintenance because this line deals with the "wear and tear" aspect of vehicle use.*

2. In the 2006-2007 Town budget what expenses were allocated for the Mayor's Town owned vehicle and from what accounts were they funded?

*The Town owned vehicle was part of the town wide fleet and was maintained by the Public Works Department as were all vehicles under the Town's ownership. Budgetary lines that are used for the fleet are Fuel, Vehicle Maintenance, and Vehicle Repairs. The vehicle was insured under the Town's Auto Insurance Policy. There were no specific budget lines assigned to it.*