

EXHIBIT I

SECRETARY OF STATE
STATE OF MONTANA



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Michael Spreadbury
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Dear Mr. Spreadbury:

This office has received and reviewed your petition for the recall of Attorney General Steve Bullock. Unfortunately, we must reject the petition as it does not meet the requirements set out in § 2-16-616, MCA.

Section § 2-16-616, MCA, requires specific wording that must be contained in the petition, but which was not contained in the petition. I have enclosed a copy of this section, along with case notes for your information. Until these corrections are made the petition is insufficient and therefore must be rejected.

In addition, pursuant to § 2-16-617 (1), MCA, the circulation sheet must be ruled with a horizontal line 1 1/2 inches from the top of the sheet. The space above the line must remain blank for the purpose of binding.

Once these corrections are made, we will continue the review for sufficiency.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (406) 444-4732.

Sincerely,

Lisa Kimmet
Deputy for Elections