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See the letter from Anne Dorough (unfortunately mistitled by the Chieftain) concerning the feasibility study by the City of Socorro on the take over of the SEC. The same Dorough letter is contained in the latest billing of the SEC. [LINK](#)

The feasibility study was authorized by RESOLUTION 14-06-16 (see [link below](#)) and cites the reasons for such action among them, “constituent complaints regarding SEC’s rates and service quality” and SEC’s unresponsive attitude toward complaints. The Catron County Commission is also being contacted for help with similar complaints especially in regard to billing “estimates” and is considering their response to the problem. Many SEC member complaints have also been addressed to the PRC.’

Trustee Dorough’s letter properly titled “Who Wants a Lose-Lose Deal” is focused on scare tactics and does not address the root of the member’s problems with the SEC Broad of Trustees, the SEC management and their bullying treatment of members and the extraordinary power and actions of the SEC’s law firm. The off focus of content and tone is all the more astonishing as it has lately been revealed that the SEC is paying a Public Relations Firm for services. Please refer to the video tapes of the June 25, 2014 ([link below](#)) meeting entitled “Payments to Cordova Agency.” A trustee asks about a check entry dated 5/09/14 in the amount of \$2,889.00 paid to Cordova Public Relations Inc. Manager Herrera’s answer cites help in drafting the billing inserts and the back page of Enchantment Magazine.

Also look at the “Cordova PR billing” ([link below](#)) which was discovered within the incomplete records of the Wiggins, Williams and Wiggins firm supplied by that firm under the Inspection of Public Records Act requested by a member. There are probably other billings that we have not been able to locate. Think about it; the SEC has a public relations firm working for it and we are paying for it!

There is a meeting of the SEC Board of Trustees this coming Wed., July 23, 2014 at 2 p.m. 310 Abeyta. Please attend.