Hello State Party Administrator,

My name is Ken Moellman. I have decades of professional IT experience along with an extensive Libertarian Party résumé. I was one of the original architects of the CiviCRM and Shared Email services offered to state parties through the Libertarian National Committee.

Earlier this month, the LNC Chair signed an agreement **officially transferring the CiviCRM project, Shared Email server, and associated services** to my company, Moellman Enterprises LLC. This transition period is ongoing and will conclude on **October 31st**.

What This Means for You

- Decision Deadline August 31st: Your state party must decide whether to continue with the current CiviCRM and email services (with upgrades) or request a data export to migrate elsewhere.
- Service Continuity: LP National's subsidization ends on October 31st. Beginning
 November 1st, states that choose to remain will be charged \$50/month + applicable
 taxes (subject to change depending on total participation).

What We Need from You

- 1. **Review Choices:** Review the proposed contract and your other choices. Take the time to do apples-to-apples comparisons, and keep a close watch on up-charges and hidden fees. This contract is for CiviCRM and for individual email box services.
- 2. **Your Decision**: Let us know by **August 31st** if your state intends to continue or exit the service. Take the time you need but don't wait until the last minute.
- 3. **Point(s) of Contact**: Designate at least one individual in your state as the technical contact and one for business/admin purposes. If desired, we can establish a formal "user group" or roundtable structure to help guide ongoing development and collaboration between state affiliates.
- 4. **Feature Requests**: Share any ideas, features, or improvements you'd like to see. While we can't promise everything will be implemented immediately, we want to understand your priorities and work toward them.

Looking Ahead

If your state ever decides to migrate to a dedicated CiviCRM instance, we can help provide guidance. Several states have already done this, where our expertise were leveraged on the back-end, and we can leverage existing infrastructure and expertise to ease that transition.

What's Happening Now

- **System Upgrades**: I am currently preparing a major upgrade to the CiviCRM installation. The version currently in use is over 2 years out-of-date, and the new versions bring significant improvements in speed and stability. This will include:
 - Operating system upgrades
 - o CiviCRM and WordPress upgrades
 - PHP version updates
- **Email System**: The email server has now been upgraded to the latest version possible without a complete system overhaul. A domain change away from *lpmail.lp.org* is likely in the next 12 months. We're evaluating new options to continue providing reliable mailing list functionality.
- Project & Support Systems: We will soon relaunch the project management and trouble ticket systems, hosted independently of Ip.org, and accessible to all participating state parties. This allows your state to create support queues for your volunteers, and build project plans for your liberty projects.

Please review the draft contract that has been included with this welcome letter, and feel free to send any questions, suggestions for improvements, or other desired edits.

I'm excited to continue supporting your affiliate and improving the services you depend on. If you have any questions, ideas, or concerns, **please don't hesitate to reach out**.

Looking forward to working with you,

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