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Attachment B

With regard to credentialing question #3:

Wisconsin State Law does not address specifically the selection of delegates to a national convention.

Section 8.12 (1)(a)

<http://www.legis.state.wi.us/statutes/Stat0008.pdf>

Addresses the "Presidential Preference Vote", and states that: " No later than 5 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday in November, or the next day if Tuesday is a holiday, of the year before each year in which electors for president and vice president are to be elected, the state chairperson of **each recognized political party listed on the official ballot at the last gubernatorial election whose candidate for governor received at least 10% of the total votes cast for that office may certify to the board that the party will participate in the presidential preference primary. For each party filing such a certification, the voters of this state shall at the spring primary be given an opportunity to express their preference for the person to be the presidential candidate of that party.**

The Wisconsin Green Party did not meet that 10% requirement and consequently is not permitted to participate in the Wisconsin Spring Presidential Preference Primary.

It should be noted that this Presidential Preference Primary is not necessarily "binding". Note the "8.12 ANNOT." that appears at the end of section 8.12, that states: "*The national democratic party has a protected right of political association and may not be compelled to seat delegates chosen in an open primary in violation of the party's rules. Democratic Party of U.S. v. Wisconsin, 450 U.S. 107 (1981).*" This is noted only as it relates to the primacy of political party rules over open primaries.