Outline

Thesis

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*The VP made an unethical decision*

Background

**Issue**

Weak economy

Government official demands 10% kickback for a contract

Young, small company agrees and signs

Justifies with the need to stay in business

Intro

**Description of how ethics works**

Definitions

**Plan for paper**

Summary of outline

Body

**Virtue Ethics**

1. Background of Theory

Based on consideration of

Moral wisdom

Family / social relationship

Emotion

Moderation

1. Issue conflicts w/ Theory

Moral wisdom

Moderation

Not role model behavior

**Act Utilitarianism**

1. Background of Theory

Branch of consequentialism – end result as the basis for judgment

Weight pro and cons

Evaluate utility – tendency for happiness

1. Issue conflicts w/ Theory

Pros

Cons

Overall utility

**Kantianism**

1. Background of Theory

Actions are moral when based on two imperatives

1st – only take action if that action can be universally applied

2nd – treat people as ends rather than means to

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1st imperative

Corruption of government

Corporate greed

2nd imperative

Treating small company as means to officials end

VP using organization as means to end

**Code**

1. Background of Code

Created as a set of guidelines for software engineers

Uncompleted, new situations arise everyday

Meant to be supplementary to other workable theories

Contains a preamble

Based on 8 principles

Includes how to apply the code and how to include and motivate un-enlightened

Meant as guidelines, not a legal document

1. Code conflicts w/ Theory

Employers Interests First

(2.09) Put employers interests first

Advance Profession

(6.05) Not put own interest at expense of prof, client or employers

Conclusion

**Restate Thesis**

**Summary**