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Response Due Date 10/01/2018

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00580068

REFERENCE: AMENDED JULY MONTHLY REPORT (06/01/2018 - 06/30/2018), RECEIVED 08/03/2018

## Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 2 item(s):

1. Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why each disbursement was made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) of your report to clarify the following description(s): "MI-11", "Staples IL-06", "Store", and "store product purchases." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursement, please refer to 11 CFR 104.3(b)(3)(i).

Additional clarification regarding inadequate purposes of disbursement published in the Federal Register can be found at https://www.fec.qov/help-candidates-and-committees/purposes-disbursement

- 2. On Schedule B supporting Line 21(b), you have itemized disbursements for which you have failed to include the address. Please amend your report to include the missing information. (11 CFR § 104.3(b)(3))
- Schedule B discloses an expenditure(s) for: "postage", "Postage FL-26", "Postage MI-11", "Postage MN-02", "Postage NE-02", "Postage OH-12", "Postage VA-07", "printing", "printing-field", "Printing MN-02", "Printing NV-03", "Printing OH-12", "Printing VA-10", and "video production." If a portion or all of these expenditures were for public communications (as defined by 11 CFR §100.26) containing express advocacy as defined under 11 CFR §100.22, this would constitute an in-kind contribution or an independent expenditure and should be properly disclosed on a Schedule B or E supporting Line 23 or 24 as appropriate.

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Public communications that refer to a clearly identified Federal candidate, but that do not expressly advocate the election or defeat of that candidate should be reported on Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please clarify whether this activity contained express advocacy and amend your report to properly disclose this activity, if necessary.

- For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) discloses an expenditure(s) that include apparent candidate information. Please be advised, Line 21(b) should not be used to disclose expenditures made on behalf of federal candidates.

If a portion or all of these expenditures were for public communications (as defined by 11 CFR §100.26) containing express advocacy as defined under 11 CFR §100.22, these would constitute in-kind contributions or independent expenditures and should be properly disclosed on a Schedule B or E supporting Line 23 or 24 as appropriate. Further, public communications that refer to a clearly identified Federal candidate, but that do not expressly advocate the election or defeat of that candidate should be reported on Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page (with a notation stating "not coordinated under 11 CFR §109.21"). Please clarify whether this activity contained express advocacy and amend your report to properly disclose this activity, as appropriate.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. For additional information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit the Reports Analysis Division's Frequently Asked Questions on the FEC website. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1133.

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Sincerely,

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