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**Response Due Date**  
**03/21/2013**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00105668

REFERENCE: AMENDED 12 DAY PRE-GENERAL REPORT (10/01/2012 -  
10/17/2012), RECEIVED 11/05/2012

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) 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 an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 2 item(s):

1. Schedule A of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(f) and 11 CFR §110.2(d) prohibit a State, district or local party committee (combined) from receiving any contribution from a multicandidate political committee in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information.

If any contribution you received exceeds the limits, you may have to refund the excessive amount. The funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt you (1) transferred the excessive amount to an account not used to influence federal elections, and (2) provided written notice to the person making the contribution of the option of receiving a refund. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

If the foregoing conditions transfers to a non-federal account were not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded. (11 CFR §103.3(b)(1) and (3))

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Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for any transfer-out or refund. In addition, any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report during which the transaction was made.

2. Schedule A supporting Line 12 discloses a transfer(s)-in from "Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee" and "Democratic National Committee." Schedule B supporting Line 30(b) reflects payments for "doorhangers-Vol.distrib.Obama,Pres;FeinsteinUSSenate," "FEA 100% Federal: bumper stickers," "mail -exempt act RuizCD36Gen," "mail-vol.distrib.-TakanoCD41Gen," "mail -vol.distrib. BrownleyCD26Gen," "mail -vol.distrib.McNerneyCD09Gen," "mail-vol.distrib. RuizCD36Gen," "mail-vol.procesd. BeraCD07Gen," "mail-vol.procesd. BrownleyCD26Gen," "mail -vol.procesd. PetersCD52Gen" and "postage-vol.distrib. McNerneyCD9Gen)." Please be advised that a state or local party committee may pay for campaign materials (such as pins, posters, bumper stickers and yard signs) that are distributed by volunteers in connection with activity on behalf of the party's nominees in a general election and for voter drive activity conducted on behalf of the party's Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees. Payments for this type of activity are exempt from the definition of a contribution or expenditure if certain conditions are met. The conditions are that no public advertising may be used, including distribution by direct mail (mailings by a commercial vendor or from commercial lists); all funds used for the activity must be permitted under the Act; none of the funds used may have been designated for a particular candidate; and finally, payments for the activity may not be made from transfers-in from the national committee to specifically fund the activity. For further guidance, please refer to 11 CFR § 100.87 and 100.147 and to the Campaign Guide for Party Committees.

If the activity disclosed on your report does not meet the definition of "exempt" activity as described above and if any portion of the expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified candidates, that amount must be disclosed on Schedule B, E or F supporting Line 23, 24 or 25 of the Detailed Summary Page as appropriate. Please amend your report or provide clarifying information.

- Your report disclosed a category of financial activity that has been reflected on the wrong line of the Detailed Summary Page. For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, contributions from other political committees should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule A, supporting Line 11(c) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions for each line when determining the proper categorization(s) for your next filing. (2

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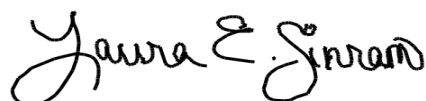
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U.S.C § 434(b) and FORM 3X Instructions)

**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. 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) 694-1157.

Sincerely,



Laura Sinram  
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

**Excessive Contribution Received by Affiliated Committees**  
**Democratic State Central Committee of CA - Federal (C00105668)**

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Report	Receiving Affiliate
I.B.E.W Educational Committee	5/22/12	\$5,000.00	2012 June Monthly	C00402826
IBEW PAC Voluntary Fund	10/4/12	\$5,000.00	2012 October Monthly	C00105668