

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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August 17, 2017

CHAD HATCH, TREASURER HEARTLAND VALUES PAC PO BOX 505 SIOUX FALLS, SD 57101

Response Due Date 09/21/2017

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00409003

REFERENCE: MID-YEAR REPORT (01/01/2017 - 06/30/2017)

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 <u>3</u> 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 descriptions: "Consultant" and "PAC Gifts." 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.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/purposes-disbursement

2. Schedule B of your report discloses reimbursements to individuals for "PAC Office Supplies." Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, if the payment to the original vendor aggregates in excess of \$200 in a calendar year, a memo entry including the name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information and clearly identify on the Schedule B, which reimbursement each memo entry relates to. If itemization is not necessary, you must indicate so in an amendment to this report. 11 CFR §§104.3(b)(3)(i) and 104.9, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3

3. Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) discloses disbursements to credit card companies. When reporting payments to credit card companies, if the payment to

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the original vendor aggregates in excess of \$200 in a calendar year, you must itemize the name of the original vendor, address, date, amount, and purpose as a memo entry as well as clearly identify the credit card payment to which each memo entry relates. Please amend your report to include the missing information or provide clarifying information if memo items are not required. (11 CFR § 104.9)

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) 694-1175.

Sincerely,

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