



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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August 19, 2005

Andrew Tobias, Treasurer  
DNC Services Corporation/Democratic National Committee  
430 S. Capitol Street S.E.  
Washington, DC 20003

**Response Due Date:  
September 19, 2005**

Identification Number: C00010603

Reference: September Monthly (8/01/04-8/31/04), October Monthly (9/01/04-9/30/04), 12 Day Pre-General (10/01/04-10/13/04) and 30 Day Post-General (10/14/04-11/22/04) Reports

Dear Mr. Tobias:

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. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Based on the chart filed by your committee on May 13, 2005 in response to an FEC request to reconcile the amounts and dates of the independent expenditures made during calendar year 2004, Schedule E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 48 hour notices for independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 48 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(b), within 48 hours of any independent expenditures aggregating \$10,000 or more with respect to a given election, made any time during the calendar year up to and including the 20<sup>th</sup> day before an election. The notice must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the second day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$10,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. 11 CFR §104.3(b)

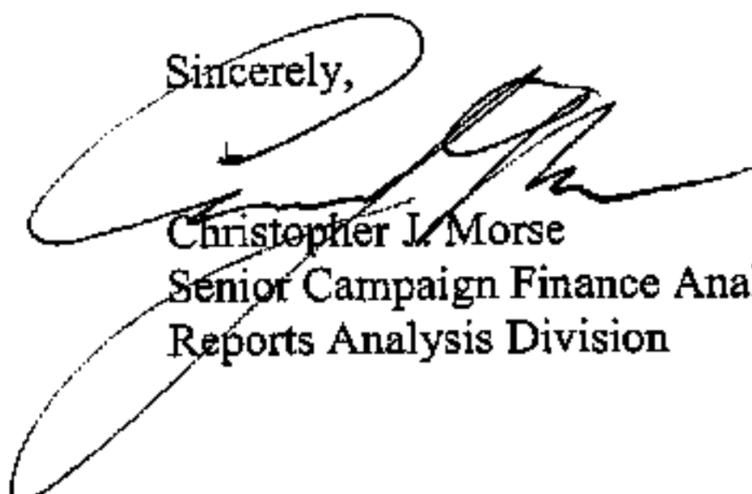
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-Based on the chart filed by your committee on May 13, 2005 in response to an FEC request to reconcile the amounts and dates of the independent expenditures made in calendar year 2004, Schedule E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 24 hour notices regarding "last minute" independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 24 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(c), within 24 hours of any independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more with respect to a given election, made between two and twenty days before an election. The notice must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$1,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. 11 CFR §104.3(b)

**Unlike previous election cycles, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. 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.

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) 694-1133.

Sincerely,



Christopher J. Morse  
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

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### Missing 48-Hour Notices for 2004 Presidential General Election

Vendor	Date of Expenditure on Schedule E	Amount on Schedule E
AKP Message & Media	8/11/2004	\$9,139.91
AKP Message & Media	8/31/2004	\$7,712.83
Message Audience & Presentation	9/30/2004	\$15,345.00
Message Audience & Presentation	10/11/2004	\$13,729.71
Murphy, Putnam, Shorr	8/17/2004	\$20,115.03
Murphy, Putnam, Shorr	10/4/2004	\$8,800.00
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Murphy, Putnam, Shorr	10/4/2004	\$8,800.00
Murphy, Putnam, Shorr	10/4/2004	\$8,800.00
Murphy, Putnam, Shorr	10/13/2004	\$28,785.44
US Postmaster	10/7/2004	\$58,220.89

### Missing 24-Hour Notices for 2004 Presidential General Election

Vendor	Date of Expenditure on Schedule E	Amount on Schedule E
AKP Message & Media	10/15/2004	\$37,291.26
Active Calls LLC	10/26/2004	\$89,800.00
The E & T Group	10/21/2004	\$120,870.64
The E & T Group	10/26/2004	\$28,074.00
Envoy Worldwide	10/26/2004	\$108,000.00
Landmark Strategies, Inc.	10/26/2004	\$258,750.00
LSG Voter Contact Services	10/26/2004	\$5,566.17
National Telecommunications Services	10/27/2004	\$296,325.00*
Winning Connections, Inc.	10/26/2004	\$251,562.00

\*\$54,664.30 in 24-Hour Notices filed on 10/18/2004 could be related to this payment, leaving a \$241,660.70 discrepancy.

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