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This miscellaneous report issues on behalf of RickPAC (hereinafter RickPAC or the 'Committee') in response to the Commission's Request for Additional Information (RFAI) correspondence regarding data contained in the Committee's 2015 Year-End Report. Each of the issues identified in the RFAI have been appropriately addressed through the filing of an amendment to RickPAC's 2015 Year-End Report. Prior to the submission of this amended report, Committee representatives also discussed these issues with RickPAC's assigned analyst in the Commission's Reports Analysis Division (RAD) and FEC IT staff to ensure that the software errors and technical glitches responsible for the items discussed in the RFAI do not reoccur. To further supplement its 2015 Year-End Report amended filing, RickPAC is submitting this miscellaneous report to provide additional context regarding the matters highlighted in the RFAI.

The first inquiry raised by the Commission in its RFAI indicated that the Committee's original 2015 Year-End Report may have had discrepancies in its 'carry forward' contribution and expenditure data listed in Column B of the Report's Summary Pages. Upon review, it was determined that an error in the Year-End Report's FECFile data file, or some other associated software problem, may have caused the wrong totals to be carried forward from the 2015 Mid-Year Report Summary Pages to the 2015 Year-End Report Summary Pages. The Committee has since corrected this issue and made sure that the appropriate contribution and expenditure totals carry forward to Column B of the amended 2015 Year-End report. Please note, however, that the appropriate data reported has been impacted by the filing of an Amended 2015 Mid-Year Report in conjunction with the Amended 2015 Year-End Report.

The second inquiry raised by the Commission in its RFAI indicates that RickPAC's original 2015 Year-End Report may have required additional credit card payment sub-itemization disclosure in its Schedule B reporting of committee expenditures. As noted in detail in the Amended 2015 Year-End Report, the FECFile software system's normal protocols did not appropriately accommodate the committee's simultaneous attempt to disclose sub-itemized expenditures paid through credit cards and to record the partial repayment of unpaid credit card debt. After consultation with FEC staff, however, a technical workaround was devised within the FECFile software program to accomplish both these goals. Due to this workaround, the Amended 2015 Year-End Report incorporates the appropriate sub-itemization and debt crediting originally sought through FECFile.

The third and fourth inquiries raised by the Commission in its RFAI indicate that there may have been technical discrepancies in the debt balances reported for two RickPAC vendors in the original 2015 Year-End Report. The Amended 2015 Year-End Report and the Amended 2015 Mid-Year Report recently filed with the Commission appropriately remedy those technical differences and accurately detail the state of the debt obligations owed to the identified RickPAC vendors during each 2015 reporting period. Debt discrepancies such as these, which appear to have been caused by a combination of FECFile data file issues and invoicing errors on the part of the vendors, should no longer occur.

Should there be any follow-up inquiries or questions concerning the original or amended reports filed by RickPAC, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee or its Treasurer.