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Dear Mr. Dobson:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the filing(s) referenced above.

Please be advised that once a committee meets the requirements of electronic filing, all subsequent statements, designations, reports, and amendments must be filed electronically. (11 CFR §§ 104.18(a)(2), 104.18(e) and 104.18(f)) Your paper filing dated 4/29/02 will not be considered an Amended Statement of Organization (FEC FORM 1). To amend this filing, you must submit it in an electronic format.

If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). Our local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maureen Benitz".

Maureen Benitz  
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