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Reference: Mid-Year Report (1/1/97-6/30/97)

Dear Mr. Gates:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Please clarify all expenditures made for fundraising cost on Schedule B. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedule B or E supporting Line 23 or 24 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule B of your report to clarify the following description(s): Services Rendered. For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-Your report discloses payments made to credit card companies for purchases of items or services which do not correlate with the memo entries that are provided to identify the original vendors. Please amend your report by providing an attribution between the monthly credit card payment and the identification of the original vendor(s) from which you have purchased items or services.

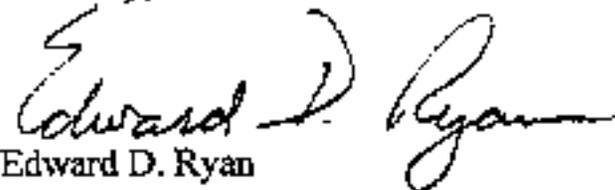
-Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$61,800 in contributions and other political committees. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule B, however, indicates the total to be \$70,770.08. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

-Your report discloses in-kind activity which appears to be reported incorrectly. The value of the in-kind contributions to federal candidates must be added in with the other contributions to federal candidates on Schedule B to come up with the total on Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please amend your report to properly disclose the in-kind activity and correct the total on Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page. In addition, please amend any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Your committee has filed a report that contains financial activity that appears to be duplicated within this report. Please review all entries (i.e., IN-KINDS to federal candidates) that must be itemized on Schedule B for Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page. If there was activity duplicated on this report, please amend your report by providing a corrected Schedule B for Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page disclosing only activity that actually occurred between 1/01/97 through 6/30/97.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



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