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Federal Election Commission Inquiry
December 1, 2004

Democratic Party of Wisconsin
Identification Number: C00019331
Reference: October Monthly Report (9/1/04-0/30/04)

Attn: Maureen Benitz, Senior Campaign Finance Analyst, Reports Analysis Division

Calculation corrections, Please see FEC 157261, amended 12/30/04 for various calculation corrections.

Question: Commission Regulations require that a committee disclose the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in a calendar year...

Response: The Democratic Party of Wisconsin (DPW in it's original solicitations, does include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and informs the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information.

In order to comply with the formal requirements for "best efforts", the DPW:

1. Clearly asks for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution
2. Informs the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and
3. When the request is written, includes a pre-addressed return envelope.

Question: Schedule A of your report discloses a receipt(s) from a candidate committee(s) which requires further clarification...

Response: The referenced activity has been annotated to indicate "transfer" for each transaction and has been submitted as an amendment.

Question: Your reports disclose coordinated party expenditures... which appear to exceed the limitations under 2 U.S.C. 441a(d).

Answer: The DPW received, from the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC), it's portion of 2 USC 441(a)(d) authority in the amount of \$616,000 for the exclusive purpose of making expenditures on behalf of the Democratic Party of Wisconsin nominee for the U.S. Senate for the 2004 election cycle. This authorization is on file in the DPW office.