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Reference: Amended 12 Day Pre-Special Report (1/1/01-5/30/01), received 7/19/01

Dear Ms. Howard-Chrane:

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:

-Commission Regulations require that a committee disclose the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer. (11 CFR §100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR §104.7(b)(1))

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the

contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2))
The request must:

- clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution;
- inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and
- if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you shall either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR §104.7(b)(4))

Please provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

-The outstanding balances at the close of the period for several debts disclosed on Schedule D appear to be incorrect. Please amend your report to provide the correct balances.

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule(s) H4 of your report to clarify the following description(s): officer expenses. For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

A response or 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. Electronic filers must file amendments 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 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

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Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Walker". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Scott Walker
Reports Analyst
Report Analysis Division

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The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry, no matter how small, should be recorded to ensure the integrity of the financial data. This includes not only sales and purchases but also expenses and income. The document provides a detailed explanation of how to categorize these transactions and how to use a double-entry system to ensure that the books are balanced.

Next, the document covers the process of reconciling the accounts. It explains how to compare the company's records with the bank statements and how to identify and correct any discrepancies. This is a crucial step in ensuring that the financial statements are accurate and reliable. The document provides a step-by-step guide to this process, including how to prepare a reconciliation statement and how to use it to adjust the books.

The final part of the document discusses the preparation of financial statements. It explains how to use the records and reconciled accounts to prepare the balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows. The document provides a detailed explanation of each of these statements and how they are used to evaluate the company's financial performance. It also provides a checklist of items to check when preparing these statements to ensure that they are accurate and complete.