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April 17, 2003

Mina Brees, Treasurer
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Identification Number: C00257519

Reference: Mid-Year Report (1/1/01-6/30/01)

Dear Ms. Brees:

On March 26, 2003 you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your April 8 and April 9, 2003 responses are incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-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 amended report continues to disclose 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

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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.

Your response indicates that your transfer of \$15,000 "is a correction in response to your October 24, 2001 letter regarding the 11/3/2000 receipt of \$45,000.00 from Anne Elizabeth Glasscock Wynn. This receipt was to be deposited in our non federal account Travis County Democratic Party- State and was deposit into our federal account due to a clerical error. We immediate transferred \$25,000.00 back as a correction. The transfer of \$15,000.00 was to further correct this error." However, your explanation indicates that this transfer should not have been reported on Schedule H4, but rather on a Schedule B supporting Line 29 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please amend your report to disclose the transfer on Schedule B supporting Line 29.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by May 7, 2003.

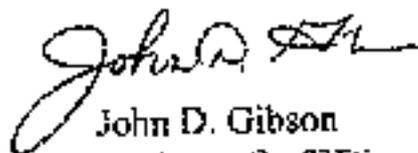
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Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions for time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) 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 have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Maureen Benitz 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,



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