



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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March 3, 2006

Ed Mitchell, Treasurer
Washington State Republican Party
16400 Southcenter Pkwy, Ste 200
Seattle, WA 98188

**Response Due Date:
April 3, 2006**

Identification Number: C00031088

Reference: Year End Report (12/1/05-12/31/05)

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Your report discloses an outstanding beginning balance of -\$8,934.69 on Schedule D, supporting Line 10 of the Detailed Summary Page for a debt owed to Wells Fargo Business Card. However, an outstanding balance(s) at the close of the period was not disclosed on your 2005 December Monthly Report. Further, debts with negative beginning and closing balances suggest that you have either made a mathematical error or overpaid the debt which would result in the vendor incurring a debt owed to your committee and should be properly disclosed on Schedule D supporting Line 9 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please amend your report as appropriate or provide clarification regarding the nature of this transaction.

-On Schedule D of your previous report, you disclosed a debt(s) for -\$7.00 owed to Direct Mail Systems Inc. This apparent obligation(s), however, has been omitted from this report. Please amend your report to clarify this apparent discrepancy.

-Schedule B of your report discloses reimbursements to individuals for "REIMBURSEMENT FOR CHECKS." Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, if the payment to the original vendor aggregates in excess of \$200 in a calendar year, a memo entry including the name and address of the original vendor,

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as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information and clearly identify on the Schedule B, which reimbursement each memo entry relates to. If itemization is not necessary, you must indicate so in an amendment to this report. 11 CFR §104.9, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3

-Schedule H3 of your report discloses "WSRP Federal Account 16400 Southcenter" as the name of account(s) for transfers received from an apparent non-federal account for shared activity. Please verify if these transfers were received from a non-federal account of your committee and amend your report with any clarifying information.

-Schedule H4 discloses payments made to credit card companies for shared federal and non-federal activity. The Commission notes the corresponding memo entries disclosing the original vendors on your 2006 February Monthly Report. For future reporting, please include memo entries on the same report in which the credit card payment(s) are disclosed.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of 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 should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1136.

Sincerely,



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