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David Alpert, Treasurer
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Reference: April Quarterly Report (1/1/00-3/31/00)

Dear Mr. Alpert:

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:

-Your calculations for Line 31, Columns A and B appear to be incorrect. FEC calculations disclose this amount(s) to be \$226,367.96. Please provide the corrected total(s) on the Detailed Summary Page.

-Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$0 in contributions to Federal candidates/committees. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule B, however, indicates the total to be \$1,000. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

-On Schedule H2, you have failed to check the Type of Activity box for two of the activities/events. Please amend your report to correct these omissions. 11 CFR §104.10(a)(1)

-On Schedule H2, you have failed to check the ratio type box (i.e., NEW, REVISED, SAME AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED) for two of the activities/events. Please amend your report to correct this omission. 11 CFR §104.10(a)(1)

-Schedule H2 of your report indicates that your committee participated in

"Holiday '98", "April Event", "June Event", "July Event", "Sept Event", and "October Event" fundraising activities or events during the reporting period. However, there are no corresponding disbursements reflected on your Schedule H4. If any disbursements were incorrectly reported, you should file an amended Schedule H4 with the correct unique identifying code or title.

Note that you need not include activities on Schedule H2 if there are no corresponding payments made for the activity during the reporting period.

-On Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of the Detailed Summary Page, you have failed to include the total EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE amounts. Please amend your report to include the missing EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total(s).

-Schedule H3 of your report discloses a transfer(s)-in from a non-federal account(s) for "the Holiday '99" fundraising event which appears to exceed the permissible amount(s) indicated by your allocation ratio for this event. Please be advised that transfers for shared activity must not exceed the non-federal share of the joint disbursements and that these transfers must be made within a 70-day time period: no more than 10 days before or 60 days after payment to the vendor. 11 CFR §§106.5(g)(2) and 106.6(e)(2) Please clarify the nature of these transfers-in from the non-federal account.

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer the total excessive amount received by your federal account back to your non-federal account. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

-Your report includes computer produced formats of the Schedule H4. Computer produced formats may only be used upon prior approval of the Commission. You should submit a separate sample format with a cover letter requesting approval. Until your format has been approved, FEC forms must be used. 11 CFR §104.2(d)

If the software your committee is using to produce the Schedules of the FEC FORM 3X does not allow you to electronically file your report, you may want to call the vendor who produced your software to inquire about the availability of a software upgrade that includes electronic filing. A

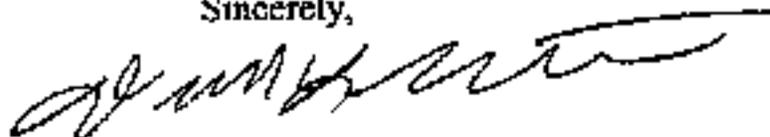
number of commercial software companies have added electronic filing capability to their products. A list of these companies is available on the FEC web site, <http://www.fec.gov>.

Alternatively, freeware (FECfile) available from the FEC, can help complete and file your reports electronically. It installs easily, computerizes every schedule in the FEC FORM 3X, contains features to help you avoid common errors, allows you to file electronically, and has free technical support for your questions. You may obtain your free copy by downloading FECfile from our web site, <http://www.fec.gov>, or by calling the Electronic Filing Office at (202) 694-1307.

-Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 23 by providing the office sought (i.e. Senate, House, President) for each contribution made. 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3)(ii) and (v)

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 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Averett
Reports Analyst
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