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Mr. Christopher Morse
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Federal Election Commission

Re: Amended 30 Day Post General Report (10/17/2002-11/25/2002)
ID #C00084368
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1st Amendment: FEC-76702

Dear Mr. Morse:

Thank you for your letter of June 18, 2003. In this you questioned certain items in the above referenced report. We have filed an amended report which is FEC-88269 to correct the totals in the column B year-to-date figures. These incorrect year-to-date figures are due to the amended reports that changed some prior month figures.

The incorrect aggregate year-to-date figures on Schedule A are due to a software problem. At the present time Aristotle is working with us to fix this problem. As soon as they have resolved the problem we will file another amended report.

The disbursements for Postage, Mail Piece and Printing were incorrectly labeled. These were issue ads only. The Pickering name should not have appeared on the report. These were nonallocable expenses for mail-outs with a substantial volunteer component for work performed. The payments for postage also consisted of the major component of labor being handled by volunteers to the Mississippi Republican Party. All mail-outs were paid for strictly with federal, reportable dollars raised by the Mississippi Republican Party.

The disbursements on the Schedule H4 identified as Donations or State Candidate Contributions have been transferred to the Schedule B on the amended report. The Federal account has reimbursed the State account for the \$1375.00 cost share.

In your letter you questioned a \$5000.00 negative transfer. This transfer is correcting a transfer that was originally made erroneously. This transfer from the Federal to the State account corrects the amount previously made in error. Please refer to our amended September report (8/1/02-8/31/02) FEC-64695 and our etext letter FEC-64696 for more information regarding this matter.

We hope this information will be helpful in your further review and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely Yours,

Thomas B. Butchart, Treasurer