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Dear Maureen:

On behalf of the Democratic Party of Illinois (the Committee), we write in response to the Commissions letter dated May 26, 2015 regarding the Committees Amended 2014 Year-End Report.

Regarding Schedule H3, the event in question was incorrectly identified. The Committee has amended its report to identify the correct event associated with the transfer.

Regarding Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a), the disbursements in question related to employees who, during the relevant time periods, spent 25% or less of their compensated time on Federal Election Activity.

Regarding Schedule H5, that schedule identified funds as transferred for GOTV that should have been identified as transferred for generic campaign activity. The Committee has amended its report to resolve the apparent, resulting discrepancies.

Regarding the asserted failure to disclose receipts of Levin funds, the Committee uses FECFile to file its reports. It also uses a reasonable accounting method to identify those funds within its Non-Federal account that qualify as Levin funds. The non-disclosure of Levin receipts on the most recently amended report occurred when the Committee, acting on advice from the Commissions technical support staff, identified Levin receipts that had been disclosed initially on its Year-End Report, and disclosed them instead on prior reports. The Committee understood that this was necessary because FECFile looks to the date of each individual receipt to calculate aggregate receipts, even though the Committee need not disclose nonfederal contributions used as Levin funds until they are used for Levin transfers. Because the Committee disclosed the nonfederal contributions that were used as Levin funds with the dates of their original receipts, this required the contributions to be moved to earlier reporting periods, so that the software could correctly calculate the aggregate totals.

If you have further questions, please contact the Committee.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Kasper, Treasurer