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November 12, 2014

Sarah Juris Campaign Finance Analyst Federal Election Commission 999 E Street NW Washington, DC 20463

#### **Identification Number: C00477737**

#### **Reference:** July Quarterly Report (04/01/2014 – 06/30/2014)

Dear Ms. Juris:

This letter is in response to a letter received by the Mediacom Communications PAC ("Mediacom PAC") from the Federal Election Commission dated October 9, 2014. In the letter, the FEC had identified an excessive contribution by the Mediacom PAC and a contribution made after the election date.

The purpose of this letter is to inform the FEC that the excessive contribution was the result incorrectly coding a \$5,000 contribution made on 7/15/11 to Friends of John Thune to the 2016 general election. The contribution should have been coded to the 2016 primary election. The 2011 October Quarterly Report of the Mediacom PAC was amended on 10/23/14 to reflect the correct coding of the 7/11/14 contribution to Friends of John Thune.

The contribution made after the election date was the result of incorrectly coding a \$1,500 contribution to Braley for Iowa made on 6/12/14 to the 2014 primary election. The contribution should have been coded to the 2014 general election. The 2014 July Quarterly Report of the Mediacom PAC was amended on 10/23/14 to reflect the correct election for the \$1,500 contribution made to Braley for Iowa on 6/12/14.

Please feel free to contact me to discuss this matted further.

Sincerely Thomas J. Larsen

Enclosure

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

October 9, 2014

### BRIAN WALSH, TREASURER MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE 1 MEDIACOM WAY MEDIACOM PARK, NY 10918

Response Due Date 11/13/2014

#### **IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00477737**

#### REFERENCE: JULY QUARTERLY REPORT (04/01/2014 - 06/30/2014)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 2 item(s):

1. Schedule B of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. Please be advised that 52 U.S.C. §30116(a) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §441a(a)) prohibits a multicandidate committee and its affiliates from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If any contribution you made exceeds the limits, you must request a refund of the excessive amount or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund of the excessive amount.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the

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recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. (11 CFR §110.1(b))

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §103.3(b)(1) and (3))

2. Schedule B supporting Line 23 discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the 2014 Primary election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (see attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign. (11 CFR §§110.1(b)(3) and 110.2(b)(3))

If any apparently impermissible contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If the contribution(s) in question should have been designated for debt retirement, you should amend your report to indicate "debt retirement," along with the year of election.

If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund. (11 CFR §103.3(b) (1) and (3))

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. (11 CFR §110.1(b))

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this

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impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. 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. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

<u>Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports)</u> 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) 694-1175.

Sincerely,

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Sarah Juris Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division

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## Excessive, Prohibited, and Impermissible Contributions Mediacom Communications Corporation Political Action Committee (C00477737)

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## Excessive Contributions to a Candidate Committee

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	Report
	,			2011 October
FRIENDS OF JOHN THUNE	7/15/11	\$5,000.00	G2016	Quarterly
				2014 July
FRIENDS OF JOHN THUNE	4/4/14	\$2,500.00	G2016	Quarterly

## **Contributions Made After Election Date**

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	Election (State-Date)
BRALEY FOR IOWA	6/12/14	\$1,500.00	P2014	IA - 6/3/14

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