



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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William Davies, Treasurer
Franklin County Democratic Party
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Reference: Termination Report (2/17/00-3/31/00)

Dear Mr. Davies:

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 report discloses no payments for administrative expenses. Administrative expenses are payments made for the purpose of operating a political committee including, but not limited to, rent, utilities, salaries, telephone service, office equipment and supplies. Each committee utilizing separate federal and non-federal accounts is required to allocate any administrative expenses between the accounts in proportion to the BALLOT COMPOSITION METHOD derived from FEC Schedule H1. A Schedule H1 must be filed with the first FEC FORM 3X filed at the beginning of each two-year election cycle. 11 CFR §106.5(d)

Any goods or services provided to your committee by a person, except volunteer activity (i.e., a person's time), would be considered an in-kind contribution from that person, and would be subject to the disclosure requirements of 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(3) and 11 CFR §104.13, and the limitations and prohibitions of 2 U.S.C. §§441a and 441b.

Clarification regarding administrative expenses should be disclosed during each two year election cycle beginning with the first report filed in the non-election year. Please provide the necessary information regarding

administrative expenses incurred by your committee and/or amend your report to disclose such expenses according to the referenced provisions of the Act and Commission Regulations.

-It appears that the figures you have disclosed on Lines 6(a) through 6(d), of the Summary Page have been inadvertently recorded on the incorrect lines. Please amend your report to disclose your figures on the correct lines of the Summary Page.

-Please provide the coverage dates of your report on Line 5 of the Summary Page.

-Your report requested that the Commission permit your committee to terminate pursuant to 2 U.S.C. §433(d) and 11 CFR §102.3. Preliminary review of the Termination Report raised questions concerning certain information disclosed by your committee. Your committee must continue to file all required reports with the Commission until this matter has been resolved. The Commission will notify you when your request to terminate has been approved and the committee is no longer required to file reports with the Commission.

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,



Angel Williamson
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

