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Republican State Central Committee of South
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Reference: 12 Day Pre-Special Report (1/1/01-5/30/01)

Dear Ms. Johnson:

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:

-Lines 21(a)(i) and 21(a)(ii) of the Detailed Summary Page of your report disclose totals of $42,802.35 and $149,826.98 in allocable federal and non-federal expenses. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule H4, however, indicate the totals to be $43,820.59 and 153,391.24, respectively. Please amend your report to clarify these discrepancies.

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

-On Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of the Detailed Summary Page, your committee discloses a disbursement for "Miscellaneous Office" and lists itself (SD Republican Party) as the payee. Please clarify the nature of this transaction or amend Schedule H4 by providing the correct name and mailing address of the payee.

Please note that any activity which is financed entirely by the federal

account (including administrative expenses), should be reported on Schedule B supporting Line 21(b). 11 CFR §106.5

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule H4 of your report to clarify the following descriptions: "Reim. For Inaugural Exp.", "Teenage Repub. Expense", "Committee Expense", "College Republican Expense", "Miscellaneous Office", "Legislative Session Expense", "SEE MEMO:", and "Miscellaneous". For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-Schedule H4 discloses payments made to credit card companies for shared federal/non-federal operating expenditures. These payments must identify, as memo entries, the original vendors from which you have purchased an item or service regardless of the amount. Please amend your report by providing the name and mailing address of the original vendor(s), along with the date, amount and purpose of each expenditure. 11 CFR §104.10

-Please clarify all expenditures made for "Other Disbursement Advertising", "Advertising", and "Media Reception Supplies" on Schedule(s) B and H4. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B, E, or F supporting Lines 23, 24, or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

- Your report includes a Schedule H1 with section B (Funds Expended) checked as well as section D (Ballot Composition) completed. Please be advised that a state party committee should only complete section D. Please amend your report to clarify this apparent discrepancy.

A 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. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designation and reports) 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 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,

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