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via electronic filing and U.P.S.

Ms. Rosa G. Lewis
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Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: SEIU COPE, FEC ID C00004036
Amended April Monthly Report (3/1/05 - 3/31/05), received 5/20/05

Dear Ms. Lewis:

I am counsel for the Service Employees International Union Committee on Political Education (SEIU COPE). This is in response to your letter dated July 5, 2005, requesting additional information on three items. Each Item is addressed in turn below:

1) You inquired about a contribution to "Gephardt For President". SEIU COPE s check for that contribution was returned uncashed by the campaign and was voided as of 6/21/05 and reported as such on our July Monthly Report. We made the contribution with the understanding that the committee had outstanding debts from the 2004 primary, but the committee returned the check without cashing it and explained that was not the case. Thus no contribution was ever received by them and our reports now reflect that. A copy of the void check and the letter we received from the Gephardt campaign are attached.

2) You inquired about $736.02 received from our connected organization. This was a proper reimbursement of administrative costs that was made within the 30 day limit and was properly reported. This is evidenced by a copy of the check, dated March 30, 2005 and the copy of the bank charges dated 3/2 and 3/18 that were the costs being reimbursed.

3) You inquired about the totals listed on Lines 11(a)(i) and 11(a)(ii). We have discussed this issue in detail in our response, dated today, to your inquiry regarding the May Monthly Report. That response is incorporated herein by reference. As we responded there, we have filed an amendment to the April Monthly report, and others for this year, to comply with the instructions you have provided on what should be included in the year-to-date column for these two lines.

We believe that these should be considered complete and adequate responses to your inquiries. Moreover, we respectfully submit that none of the items identified in your letter should serve as a basis of any legal or audit actions by the Commission. If you have any further questions regarding this mater, please feel free to contact me at 202-898-3465.

Very truly yours,

John J. Sullivan
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