



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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May 5, 2010

Alma Gonzalez, Treasurer
Democratic Executive Committee of Florida
214 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Response Due Date:
June 9, 2010

Identification Number: C00005561

Reference: December Monthly Report (11/1/09 – 11/30/09)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) 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 5 items:

1. Schedule A supporting Line 15 of your report discloses an offset to an operating expenditure(s) totaling \$4,642.63 from "Markel Corporation"; however, your report(s) does not appear to disclose a disbursement to this entity. Please provide clarifying information regarding this activity and amend your report(s) if necessary.
2. Schedule B supporting Lines 21(b) and 30(b) of your report discloses voided or returned checks for expenditures made during this or a previous reporting period. Please clarify if and when these checks were reissued. If it was not reissued, please clarify the steps your committee has taken in order to avoid the acceptance of a prohibited in-kind contributions.
3. Schedule B supporting Line 30(b) discloses voided checks to "Moss, Florence," "H.O.P.E., Inc. of Jacksonville" and "City of St. Petersburg," however, a disbursement to these entities could not be found. Please amend the report covering the period(s) during which the expenditures were disbursed and disclose the original date of the expenditures.

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4. Schedule H4 of your report discloses reimbursements to individuals for "Staff Reimbursement" (Thurman, Karen L). Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, payment to the original vendors must be itemized as memo entries regardless of amount. Each memo entry must include the name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to clarify one of the corresponding memo entries for the transaction disbursed to Mr. Leonard Pepper for "Lodging." 11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3

5. Schedule H4 of your report discloses a payment to "Bullseye Interactive Media," which is categorized as an Administrative expense; however, the purpose of disbursement disclosed is "Consulting/Fundraising." Please be advised that payments made for your committee's fundraising activities must be allocated according to the funds received method and the ratio reflected on Schedule H2. Please amend your report to clarify the appropriate category for this activity or provide clarifying information regarding this apparent discrepancy.

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.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations 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 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) 694-1393.

Sincerely,



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Reports Analysis Division