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Sarah Brown, Treasurer
Ohio State Republican Party
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Reference: Amended October Quarterly Report (7/1/00-9/30/00), dated 5/3/01

Dear Ms. Brown:

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:

-On Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of the Detailed Summary Page, you have failed to include the purpose for several joint expenditures to various vendors. Note that the unique identifying code for an event is not considered an adequate description of purpose. Please amend your report to include this missing information.

-Your EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE calculations for Absentee Ballott Time/Space #2 are incorrect. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for administrative and voter drive costs are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year for the whole Administrative/Voter Drive category. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for fundraising, direct candidate support, and exempt activities are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year within a specific event. These should be calculated by adding the latest disbursement for a category or event to the previous EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total for that category or event. This running EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total should be disclosed after each disbursement is listed. Please amend your report by providing the correct EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals.

-On Schedule H4 of your report you have disclosed several lump sum

payments for exempt, fundraising and administrative expenses. In addition, you have provided attachments disclosing the individual vendors receiving these payments. However, the lump sum payment itemized on Schedule H4 for exempt activities totals $699,800, while the attachments provided total only $349,900. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy.

- On your Amended October Quarterly Report, dated 5/3/01, you disclose the ratio for the Cincinnati Victory 2000 fundraising event to be new; however, your Amended October Quarterly Report, dated 2/7/01 disclosed this ratio to be revised. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy.

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,

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