FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Timothy J. Gardner, Md., Treasurer
Society of Thoracic Surgeons Political Action
Committee; The (STS PAC)
1200 19th Street N.W., Suite 300
Washington, DC 20036

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Identification Number: C00325936

Reference: July Quarterly Report (4/1/02-6/30/02)

Dear Dr. Gardner:

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:

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the 2002 Primary election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (pertinent portion(s) attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign.

If any apparently impermissible contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR § 110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR § 110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

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,

Alissa Sagri

Alissa V. Sagri
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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# SCHEDULE B (FEC Form 3X)
# ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
SOCIETY OF THORACIC SURGEONS POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE; THE (STS PAC)

**A.**
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): LATHAM FOR CONGRESS
Mailing Address: PO Box 71 PO BOX 71
City: Clarion State: IA Zip Code: 50525
Purpose of Disbursement:
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House ☐ Senate ☐ President
State: IA District: 04
Disbursement For: 2002 X Primary ☐ General ☐ Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: 08 / 24 / 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
IA Primary 6/4/2002
Transaction ID: SB23.5477

**B.**
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): MARY BONO COMMITTEE
Mailing Address: PO BOX 3370
City: PALM SPRINGS State: CA Zip Code: 92263
Purpose of Disbursement:
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House ☐ Senate ☐ President
State: CA District: 46
Disbursement For: 2002 X Primary ☐ General ☐ Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: 08 / 10 / 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
CA Primary 3/5/2002
Transaction ID: SB23.5470

**C.**
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): MIKE BILIRAKIS FOR CONGRESS
Mailing Address: P O BOX 1077
City: TARPON SPRINGS State: FL Zip Code: 34688
Purpose of Disbursement:
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House ☐ Senate ☐ President
State: FL District: 05
Disbursement For: 2002 X Primary ☐ General ☐ Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: 08 / 04 / 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.5488

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
SOCIETY OF THORACIC SURGEONS POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE; THE (STS PAC)

**A.**
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): NEXT CENTURY FUND
Mailing Address: 118 S ROYAL STREET
City: ALEXANDRIA State: VA Zip Code: 22314
Purpose of Disbursement:
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: House / Senate / President
Disbursement For: 2002 X Primary General Other (specify)
State: District:
Date of Disbursement: 05 / 13 / 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.5460

**B.**
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): PETE STARK RE-ELECTION COMMITTEE
Mailing Address: PO BOX 5331
City: FREMONT State: CA Zip Code: 94537
Purpose of Disbursement:
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House / Senate / President
Disbursement For: 2002 X Primary General Other (specify)
State: CA District: 13
Date of Disbursement: 05 / 20 / 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
CA Primary 3/5/2002
Transaction ID: SB23.5462

**C.**
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): RELY ON YOUR BELIEFS FUND
Mailing Address: 1736 East Sunshine Suite 913
City: Springfield State: MO Zip Code: 65804
Purpose of Disbursement:
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House / Senate / President
Disbursement For: 2002 X Primary General Other (specify)
State: MO District: 7
Date of Disbursement: 05 / 06 / 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.5455

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