National Republican Senatorial Committee

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Ms. Rosa G. Lewis Senior Campaign Finance Analyst Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

Dear Ms. Lewis:

This letter is in response to your inquiry dated December 19, 2007 in which you reference the August Monthly Report (7/1/07 - 7/31/07).

Schedule A – Line 15

The transaction from Smart Media Group, LLC was a return of unused funds from a media vendor. Please see, for example, the Post General Election 2006 Report.

Schedule A Best Efforts

The Committee takes the following steps to ensure compliance with 11 CFR (a)(4)(i) and 104.7:

All solicitations to prospective donors include the following statement: "Federal law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individuals whose contributions exceed \$200 in a calendar year."

If the individual fails to respond to the initial request, the Committee sends a stand-alone follow-up letter, no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the contribution, requesting the same information. The letter includes a pre-addressed, stamped envelope and contains the following statement:

"Federal law requires that we obtain the attached information regarding your occupation and employment. Please complete the attached form and return it to us as soon as possible in the enclosed envelope."

The Committee then discloses any updated contributor information it receives by filing memo Schedule A's in a timely manner with its next regular report or by filing an amended report.

If the individual fails to respond to the Committee's requests, the Committee reports donor information pursuant to the guidelines in 11 CFR 104.7(b)(3) and 11 CFR 104.7(b)(4).

Schedule A – Occupation and Employer Information

As the Committee has indicated in previous responses, the regulations require the Committee to ask contributors to supply employer/occupation information but do not compel the contributors to comply with the Committee's requests, the Committee has reported all the information it has in its possession in an attempt to satisfy both the intent and the substance of 11 CFR 100.12, 11 CFR 104.3, and 11 CFR 104.7. In addition, the Committee can find no guidance in the statute or regulations that allows it to add to or subtract from information that is voluntarily provided to it from its contributors nor is there any indication in the statute or regulations. Finally, the Committee notes that it updates its employer/occupation data as it is received from donors and makes every effort to secure the requested information from all available sources.

Schedule B - Expenditure Clarifications

No portion of the expenditures for "catering," "direct mail expense," "fundraising consulting," "postage," "printing," "printing expense," or "photography services" were made on behalf of any specifically identified federal candidate. These expenditures were made solely on behalf of the Committee. Accordingly, no further itemization is necessary.

Should you require additional information, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Robert Jentgens Assistant Treasurer

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