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Brian L. Wolff, Treasurer
Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee
430 South Capitol Street SE, 2nd Floor
Washington, DC 20003

Response Due Date:
August 6, 2007

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Reference: August Monthly Report (7/1/06-7/31/06)

Dear Mr. Wolff:

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. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedule A of your report discloses aggregate year-to-date totals for contributions received from individuals which appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that federal regulations require aggregate year-to-date totals to include only those contributions which are received during the calendar year. In the event that the aggregate year-to-date total is correct, please note that federal regulations also require the disclosure of all contributions received from individuals who have contributed over \$200. 11 CFR §104.3(a)(4) Please amend your report to provide the correct aggregate year-to-date totals.

-Schedule A of your report discloses apparent earmarked contributions totaling \$142,687.00 with \$124,193.18 in corresponding entries on Schedule B. Pursuant to 11 CFR §110.6(c)(1)(v), all earmarked contributions that have passed through a conduit's account **must be itemized on the receipt (Schedule A) and disbursement (Schedule B) schedules, regardless of amount.** All earmarked contributions that have been forwarded in the form of the contributor's check or written instrument **must be itemized as memo entries on the receipt (Schedule A) and disbursement (Schedule B) schedules, regardless of the amount, see**

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attached reporting example. Please amend your report to clarify these discrepancies.

-Pursuant to 11 CFR §110.6(c), all earmarked contributions, that have passed through a conduit's account, must be itemized on the receipt (Schedule A) and disbursement (Schedule B) schedules, regardless of the amount. Please identify the original contributors for earmarked contributions made and disclosed on Schedule B.

-Your committee filed 24 hour notice(s) (which apparently were filed in error and should have been 48 hour notice(s)) informing the Commission of independent expenditures made in support or opposition of federal candidates. However, the amounts and dates of public dissemination disclosed on the notice(s) do not appear to correlate with the entries disclosed on Schedule E, supporting Line 24 for the reporting period. If your committee has filed a 24 (48 hour notice(s)) for independent expenditures that are not reflected on your report(s), you must file Schedule E during the appropriate reporting period(s) to disclose the payments. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy and provide clarifying information.

-Schedule E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to timely file one or more of the required 48 hour notices for independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 48 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(b), within 48 hours of any independent expenditures aggregating \$10,000 or more with respect to a given election, made any time during the calendar year up to and including the 20th day before an election. The notice must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the second day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$10,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. 11 CFR §104.3(b)

-The independent expenditure schedule (Schedule E) should disclose the following information: the name and mailing address of the payee, the purpose of the expenditure, the date of payment, the amount of payment, the name and office sought, state and district (if applicable) of the federal

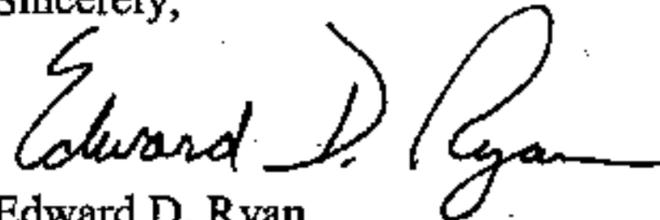
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candidate, the calendar year-to-date, per election, for office sought total, **the election designation**, an indication of whether the candidate was supported or opposed and the signature of the treasurer. Please amend Schedule E by providing **the election designation**. 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3)(vii)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. 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.

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) 694-1144.

Sincerely,



Edward D. Ryan
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Late 48 Hour Notices

Payee	Date	Amount	Notice	Candidate
Great American Media	7/07/06	\$47,059.12	7/12/06	John Hostettler
Great American Media	7/25/06	\$47,978.24	7/28/06	John Hostettler

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5. Contents of Transmittal Reports

Both conduit reports must disclose the following information:

- The name and mailing address of each contributor and, if the contribution exceeds \$200, the contributor's occupation and employer.
- The amount of each earmarked contribution and the date the conduit received it.
- The intended recipient designated by the contributor. It is suggested that the conduit also include the election for which the contribution was designated (if any), the office sought by the candidate (state and, if applicable, Congressional district) and the name and address of the recipient candidate committee.

- The date the earmarked contribution was forwarded to the recipient committee.
- How the contribution was forwarded (by cash, contributor's check or conduit's check).
- A statement indicating that the conduit's limit was also affected, if applicable. 110.6(c)(1)(iv) and (d)(2).

6. Reporting Instructions for Political Committee Conduits

Using Schedules A and B

A political committee acting as a conduit itemizes information on earmarked contributions in its regular FEC reports using Schedules A and B. Note that if a committee forwards earmarked

contributions in the form of the contributors' checks, without depositing them, it must itemize the earmarked contributions as memo entries on Schedules A and B. 110.6(c)(1)(v). Alternatively, instead of labeling each entry as a memo entry, the committee may itemize the contributions on Schedules A and B clearly labeled as memo entry schedules.

Schedule A

A conduit committee reports the following information on Schedule A for each earmarked contribution:

- Contributor information (name, address and, if applicable, occupation and employer).
- The date of receipt and amount of the contribution.
- The name of the designated candidate.

Earmarked Contributions

SCHEDULE A (FEC Form 3X) ITEMIZED RECEIPTS		FOR LINE NUMBER: (check only one)	PAGE	OF
<small>Use separate schedule(s) for each category of the Detailed Summary Page</small>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11a <input type="checkbox"/> 11b <input type="checkbox"/> 11c <input type="checkbox"/> 11d <input type="checkbox"/> 11e <input type="checkbox"/> 11f	1	1
<small>Any information copied from each Report and Statement may not be used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.</small>				
NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full) Freedom Party State Committee				
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) A. Michael Chaplin				
Mailing Address 111 River Road		Date of Receipt 08 / 19 / 2004		
City	State	Zip Code	Amount of Each Receipt This Period \$300.00	
City	ST	00000	Earmarked for Guy Blank, House, ST.	
FEC ID number of contributing separate political committee C		Name of Employer Kronerco Inc.		
Name of Employee Kronerco Inc.		Occupation Vice-president		
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)		Aggregate Year-to-Date		

SCHEDULE B (FEC Form 3X) ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS		FOR LINE NUMBER: (check only one)	PAGE	OF
<small>Use separate schedule(s) for each category of the Detailed Summary Page</small>		<input type="checkbox"/> 11a <input type="checkbox"/> 11b <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11c <input type="checkbox"/> 11d <input type="checkbox"/> 11e <input type="checkbox"/> 11f	1	1
<small>Any information copied from each Report and Statement may not be used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.</small>				
NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full) Freedom Party State Committee				
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) A. Friends of Guy Blank				
Mailing Address 111 Gari Street		Date of Disbursement 08 / 25 / 2004		
City	State	Zip Code	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period \$300.00	
City	ST	00000	Earmarked by Michael Chaplin and transmitted by committee check.	
Purpose of Disbursement Contribution		Candidate Name Guy Blank		
Office sought: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> House <input type="checkbox"/> Senate <input type="checkbox"/> President		Disbursement For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)		
State: ST District: 6		Category Type D11		

These reporting procedures apply when the committee deposits an earmarked contribution before transmitting the funds to the candidate for whom the contributor earmarked them. When the committee transmits the contributor's original check, the procedures are the same, but the itemized information must appear as memo entries on Schedules A and B. Or, the committee may use Schedules A and B clearly labeled as memo entry schedules.

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Schedule B

A conduit committee reports the following information on Schedule B:

- The designated candidate and, preferably, the office sought by the candidate and the name and address of the candidate committee.
- The amount of the contribution, the date it was forwarded and, preferably, the election (if any) designated by the contributor.
- A notation as to how the contribution was forwarded (cash, contributor check, committee check).
- A statement that the conduit's limit was also affected, if applicable.

CHAPTER 7

Other Candidate Support Activities

In addition to making contributions, party committees may support federal candidates in the ways described below.

In general, candidate-support activities must be paid with federally permissible funds.

1. Coordinated Party Expenditures

A national party committee and state party committees may make special expenditures in connection with the general election campaigns of federal candidates. 109.30. These coordinated party expenditures do not count against the contribution limits but are subject to a different set of limits, as explained below. Also, coordinated party expenditures must be made with federally permissible funds only.

(Coordinated party expenditures are also called "441 a(d) expenditures" because they are provided for in Section 441 a(d) of the Federal Election Campaign Act.)

Committees Authorized to Make Coordinated Party Expenditures

National Committee

Only a national party committee has a coordinated party spending limit for the party's Presidential nominee. 109.32(a).

A national party committee also has a coordinated party expenditure limit for the party's House and Senate candidates in the general election. 109.32(b).

State Committee

A state party committee has its own separate spending limit for each of the party's House and Senate nominees in that state. 109.32(b).

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