

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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## RITA COPELAND, TREASURER NEXTGEN CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE 700 13TH STREET, NW SUITE 600 WASHINGTON, DC 20005

Response Due Date 05/14/2015

**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00547349** 

## REFERENCE: OCTOBER MONTHLY REPORT (09/01/2014 - 09/30/2014)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report 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  $\underline{3}$  item(s):

**1.** Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why each disbursement was made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) of your report to clarify the following description(s): "Staff Time & Overhead." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursement, please refer to 11 CFR 104.3(b)(3)(i).

Additional clarification regarding inadequate purposes of disbursement published in the Federal Register can be found at http://www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate\_purpose\_list \_3507.pdf.

**2.** Schedule E discloses Calendar Year-To-Date Per Election total(s) for Senate races in Colorado, Iowa, Michigan and New Hampshire which appear to be incorrect. Please amend your report to provide the correct total(s) on Schedule E. (52 U.S.C. \$30104(b)(4) (formerly 2 U.S.C. \$434(b)(4)) and 11 CFR \$104.4(f))

**3.** Itemized independent expenditures must include a brief statement or description of why the expenditures were made. Please amend Schedule E of your report to clarify the following description(s): "Voter Outreach" and "Voter Outreach & Printing." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

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- Schedule B of your report discloses an expenditure(s) for "Advertisement," "Billboard Advertising," "Communications Consulting Services," "Direct Mail," "Media Consulting Services," "Mileage, **Postage & Advertisement**," "Printing, "**Printing &** Office Supplies," "Radio Production," "**Television & Radio Production &** Travel," "Television Advertising," "Television Production," "Video" and "Video Production." For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, if a portion or all of these expenditures were for public communications (as defined by 11 CFR §100.26) containing express advocacy as defined under 11 CFR §100.22, this would constitute an independent expenditure and would be disclosed on a Schedule E supporting Line 24. Public communications that refer to a clearly identified Federal candidate, but that do not expressly advocate the election or defeat of that candidate would be reported on Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page.

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.

<u>Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports)</u> 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) 694-1157.

Sincerely,

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