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This letter is in response to a request made by the FEC on January 31, 2006 for additional information/explanation regarding the 30 Day Post-General Report (11/16/06-11/27/06) filed by the Massachusetts Republican Party (MRP) on December 7, 2006.

The following is a summary from the MRP after reviewing your request and our filings:

Concerning the disclosure of identification for all donors contributing \$200 or more in a calendar year. We have outlined our process for establishing "best efforts" below. With each solicitation made by the MRP we include a form requesting full name, mailing address, employer, occupation and contact information. In addition to the space provided on our reply form for the above information, we include the following statement "In order to comply with campaign finance rules, we need your home address. For contributions of \$200 and above, we must also request your occupation and employer. Thank you for complying by completing the information below." When a contribution is received by the MRP it is common practice for the check processor to double-check all information that has been provided on the original solicitation or the check itself is reflected in the record. If there is information missing from the record, it is likely that contacting the individual by phone will allow you to obtain the information necessary at the time of processing. If this is not possible we proceed with the deposit and attempt to capture the required information in a written follow up request letter. An electronic record of all written requests is saved on the shared Party drive should there ever be a question of who has been contacted for information and also the date the request was sent. Follow-up letters are sent on a monthly basis, usually 5-7 days prior to the upcoming FEC filing, to insure the return of the letters prior to the monthly FEC due date. In the follow-up letter we thank the donors for their recent contribution and clearly state our request for any missing information, as well as the requirements of the federal law stating they must do so. The follow-up letters asks they respond to us by faxing or emailing us the requested information. We find this method to be very effective and timely, receiving back information from a majority of the letters sent out. As soon as the required information is received by the office it is entered in the individual's contribution record. After the monthly FEC report is filed, should any additional information be received, it is again directly entered in the individuals' contribution record and updated to the FEC by filing an amendment of the report prior to the due date of the preceding report. To date, any information received that was missing from the 30 Day Post-General at the time of the first filing has been corrected and is reflected in the amendment filed on February 23, 2007.

The information filed in the amendment of the 30 Day Post-General, should satisfy the written requests made by campaign finance analyst, Melissa Meyer. Please contact Ruth Rice at 617-523-5005 x239 with any further questions.