



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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December 5, 2013

JASON BEGGER, TREASURER
CLOUD PEAK ENERGY RESOURCES LLC
EMPLOYEE PAC
385 INTERLOCKEN CRESENT STE 400
BROOMFIELD, CO 80021

Response Due Date
01/09/2014

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00485003

REFERENCE: MID-YEAR REPORT (01/01/2013 - 06/30/2013)

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 1 item(s):

- Schedule B of your report (see attached) discloses an apparent excessive contribution(s) made to a federal candidate(s). The Act prohibits a multi candidate committee from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election. (2 U.S.C. §441a(a))

The Commission notes the receipt of the refund of the excessive contribution(s) on your Mid-Year Report (1/1/13 - 6/30/13). Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §103.3(b)(1) and (3))

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.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports)

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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) 694-1176.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arman Tarzi". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Arman Tarzi
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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Excessive, Prohibited, and Impermissible Contributions
CLOUD PEAK ENERGY RESOURCES LLC EMPLOYEE PAC (C00485003)

Excessive Contributions to a Candidate Committee

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	Report
FRIENDS OF MAX BAUCUS	12/7/11	\$1,000.00	P2014	2011 Year-End
FRIENDS OF MAX BAUCUS	3/19/12	\$2,000.00	P2014	2012 April Quarterly
FRIENDS OF MAX BAUCUS	2/18/13	\$5,000.00	P2014	2013 Mid-Year