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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 25, 2010

Alma Gonzalez, Treasurer
Democratic Executive Committee of Florida
214 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Response Due Date:
April 29, 2010

Identification Number: C00005561

Reference: Amended November Monthly Report (10/1/09 – 10/31/09), received 12/20/09

Dear Treasurer:

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. **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 4 items:

1. Schedule H4 of your report discloses a payment to "Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections," which is categorized as an Administrative expense; however, the purpose of disbursement disclosed is Voter File. Please be advised that payments made for your committee's generic voter drive activities, that do not qualify as Federal election activities and that are not party exempt activities, should be categorized as a Voter Drive expense on Schedule H4. Please amend your report to clarify the appropriate category for this activity or provide clarifying information regarding this apparent discrepancy.

2. Schedule H4 of your report discloses payments to "Fantasy of Flight," "Maurino, Michael" and "Bullseye Interactive Media" which are categorized as Administrative expenses; however, the purposes of disbursement disclosed are "Catering," "Consulting/Event Coordinator" and "Consulting/Fundraising". Please be advised that payments made for your committee's fundraising activities must be allocated according to the funds received method and the ratio reflected on Schedule H2. Please amend your report to clarify the appropriate category for this activity or provide clarifying information regarding this apparent discrepancy.

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3. Schedule H4 of your report discloses reimbursements to individuals for "Staff Reimbursement" (Thurman, Karen L). Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, payment to the original vendors must be itemized as memo entries regardless of amount. Each memo entry must include the name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to clarify one of the corresponding memo entries for the transaction disbursed to Mr. Leonard Pepper for "Travel/Lodging." 11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3

4. On Schedule H2, you disclose the ratio for "Conference 09" to be new; however, Schedule H2 of your Amended June Monthly Report (5/1/09 – 5/31/09), received 3/13/10 disclosed a ratio for this activity/event which is identical to the one given in this report. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy. 11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17

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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) 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) 694-1393.

Sincerely,

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Reports Analysis Division