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Re: Congressional Black Caucus PAC

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Dear Ms. Needles:

This will respond to your letter of August 1, 2008, requesting additional information with respect to the CBC PAC's year end (1/107—12/31/07) and April Quarter (1/1/08—3/31/08) Reports.

At the outset, it should be noted that the CBC PAC is late in responding to the Commission's August 1, 2008 Request for Additional Information because Arthur Collins, the PAC's Treasurer, resigned that position on September 18, 2008 without having responded to the August 1 letter. Mr. Collins had assured the executive director of the CBC PAC that he had responded to the letter, but in fact he had not. It was not until late September that the staff of the CBC PAC realized that no response had been filed. Since Mr. Collins' resignation, I have been acting as assistant treasurer of the PAC while the PAC identifies a new treasurer.

We proceeded to investigate the question raised in the letter, and determined the following. On March 1, 2006, he CBC PAC entered a sublease with the Congressional Black Caucus Leadership Institute, Inc. (the "CBC Institute") for a small amount of the space leased by the CBC Institute at 227 Massachusetts Av., N.E. The agreed rent was \$1,000 per month. The CBC PAC discovered, however, that the rent had not been paid by the PAC to the Institute since the inception of the lease. Again, it was the

understanding of the CBC PAC staff that the Treasurer, Mr. Collins, had been causing the PAC to make the rent payments to the Institute on an ongoing basis.

The report to be filed this week will properly reflect the PAC's debt to the Institute in the amount of \$32,000. However, since September 30, the CBC PAC has paid the past due rent in full to the Institute, in the amount of \$32,000.

In addition, the CBC PAC will, in the next few weeks, amend its previous reports to show the unpaid rent as a debt due from the PAC to the Institute.

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,

Jessica Knight

Executive Director

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