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December 30, 2009

Andrea Needles
Federal Election Commission
Reports Analysis Division
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: Alerted Democratic Majority (Identification No. Coo142653)
July Quarterly Report (4/1/09 – 6/30/09)

Dear Ms. Needles:

I am counsel for Alerted Democratic Majority. In response to the Commission's letter dated December 4, 2009, please be advised that Alerted Democratic Majority has formally requested a refund from Citizens for Arlen Specter in the amount of \$5,000. Enclosed is a copy of Alerted Democratic Majority's refund request to Citizens for Arlen Specter.

As set forth in the enclosed letter, Alerted Democratic Majority's contributions to Citizens for Arlen Specter were made under the impression that the amounts would be allocated in accordance with the Federal Election Campaign Act (i.e., \$5,000 would be designated towards the primary election and \$5,000 would be designated towards the general election). Upon receiving the Commission's December 4, 2009 letter, Alerted Democratic Majority took prompt action to confirm the dates and amounts of its contributions to Citizens for Arlen Specter. Alerted Democratic Majority then learned, for the first time, that Citizens for Arlen Specter had apparently sent a letter in July 2009, formally requesting permission to designate \$5,000 towards the general election. Unfortunately, Alerted Democratic Majority never received this letter. Had Alerted Democratic Majority received the letter, a written request for redesignation would have been sent in accordance with 11 CFR 110.2(b)(5).

Since the time period for requesting such a redesignation has passed, the enclosed written request for a refund of \$5,000 was sent to Citizens for Arlen Specter on December 28, 2009. Immediately upon receipt of the refund check, Alerted Democratic Majority will amend its 2009 July Quarterly Report by disclosing the refund on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Michael V. Phillips

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December 28, 2009

Rachel Levine Citizens for Arlen Specter 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE Suite 602 Washington, DC 20002

Re: Alerted Democratic Majority Refund Request

Dear Ms. Levine:

I am counsel for Alerted Democratic Majority. As you know, Alerted Democratic Majority made contributions totaling \$10,000 to Citizens for Arlen Specter on February 15, 2009 and June 29, 2009, respectively. The \$10,000 was given under the impression that the amount would be allocated in accordance with the Federal Election Campaign Act. You recently informed me that Citizens for Arlen Specter sent a letter to Alerted Democratic Majority in July 2009, formally seeking permission to designate \$5,000 towards the general election. Unfortunately, Alerted Democratic Majority never received this letter.

Since the \$5,000 can no longer be redesignated in accordance with 11 CFR 110.2(b)(5), this letter shall memorialize Alerted Democratic Majority's formal request for a refund of \$5,000. Per our discussions, you have confirmed that Citizens for Arlen Specter already intended to send Alerted Democratic Majority a refund in the amount of \$5,000 and that Alerted Democratic Majority will be receiving a refund check for this amount in the near future.

Thank you for your courtesies and cooperation. If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Michael V. Phillips

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