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Attn: Kaitlin Eger  
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Re: Maine Republican Party, October Quarterly RFAI

Dear Kaitlin:

Please accept this letter as the Maine Republican Party's response to the December 22, 2010 request for additional information.

1. The beginning cash balance was a data input error. It will be amended in the amended filing.
2. The Line 8 calculations will be corrected in the amended report.
3. The negative cash balance was the result of the September 28, 2010 check in the amount of \$147,037.00 to Creative Direct. The check was drafted on 9/28/10, however, additional funds to cover that check were deposited on 10/1/10, which is the same date the check was mailed out and ultimately, the check was negotiated on 10/8/10. Thus the covering funds were received the day after the close of the reporting period and will appear on the year-end report.
4. The contribution shown on Schedule A that appear to be excessive contribution from Paul Coulombe was not an excessive contribution. The contribution to the Party's non-federal account and was not deposited into the Party's federal account. The contributions was incorrectly entered into the Party's reporting software as a contribution to the federal account. The error has been corrected and the data processor has been informed of the error and given additional

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instruction concerning the data entry process. The August 16, 2010 contribution from Richard Bjorn did place him over the limit for contributions to the federal account. At present we are investigating as to why this did not trigger an alert in our reporting software. Nevertheless, the excessive contributions will be refunded and a copy of that check will be forwarded to your attention under separate cover.

5. The contributions from Dead River and C.N. Brown were deposited in the Party's non-federal account. The same data entry error described in response number 4 resulted these non-federal contributions being included in the October Quarterly filing. The error has been corrected and the amended filing will not include the Party's non-federal contributions.
6. The memo transfer of \$9,700.00 on 8/5/10 represents federal contributions received via credit card, which our vendor deposits into a specific credit card account. We had previously discussed this matter over the phone and this was a memo transfer to denote the moving of funds reported as federal contributions into the correct account. The memo transfer of \$1,875.00 on 9/29/10 reflects additional credit card contributions reported as federal contributions received in the same manner subsequently. The transfers of \$10,000.00 on 9/13/10 and 7,600.00 on 9/30/10 were transfers of federal funds from our "Victory" account into our federal account.
7. No employee of the Party expended 25% or more of their time on FEA during the October Quarterly time period. All employees were paid from the Party's non-federal account during this period.
8. The fundraising letter program resulted in federal donations equaling \$13,454.00 and non-federal contributions totaling \$30.00. The Ratio was 99.8% to .2% respectively. The amended report will reflect the ratio.
9. The disbursement categorized as direct candidate support was incorrectly entered into the Party's reporting software by the data processor. The expenditure was a public communication for the Party's gubernatorial candidate and respective State Senate and State House candidates and did not refer to or PASO any candidates for federal office. The disbursement will be corrected in the amended report.

I will try to follow up with you in the coming days to discuss the Party's response and amended report.

Sincerely,



William P. Logan

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