

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 30, 2005

Ted A Reed, Treasurer California State Pipe Trades Council Voluntary Federal Political Action Fund 1123 L St. Sacramento, CA 95814

Response Due Date: January 30, 2006

Identification Number: C00265033

Reference:

Mid-Year Report (1/1/05-6/30/05)

Dear Mr. Reed:

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. An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above. An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedule B of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) prohibits a committee from making contributions to another political committee and its affiliates in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have made an excessive contribution, you must notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of \$5,000. The refund of the excessive amount must be made within sixty (60) days of receipt of the contribution.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received.

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Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund will be taken into consideration.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. 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.

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) 694-1142.

Sincerely,

Andrea Needles

Senior Campaign Finance Analyst

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Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Year	Report
Victory in November Election PAC (VINEPAC)	4/08/05	\$2,500	2005	2005 Mid-Year
Victory in November Election PAC (VINEPAC)	4/19/05	\$5,000	2005	2005 Mid-Year
Victory in November Election PAC (VINEPAC)	4/22/05	\$5,000	2005	2005 Mid-Year