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Ms. Jodi Winship
Campaign Finance Analyst
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Re: Mid-Year Report (1/1/05-6/30/0)

Dear Ms. Winship:

In response to your letter dated September 28, 2005 regarding the Engineers Joint Benefit Funds on the above captioned report, please be advised that the amount of .10 per hour per member is a voluntary contribution to our Political Action Fund. The amount is deducted from the member's salary, paid by the employer to our Engineers Joint Benefit Fund Office in Syracuse, and then paid to the Union in a monthly check from our Fund Office.

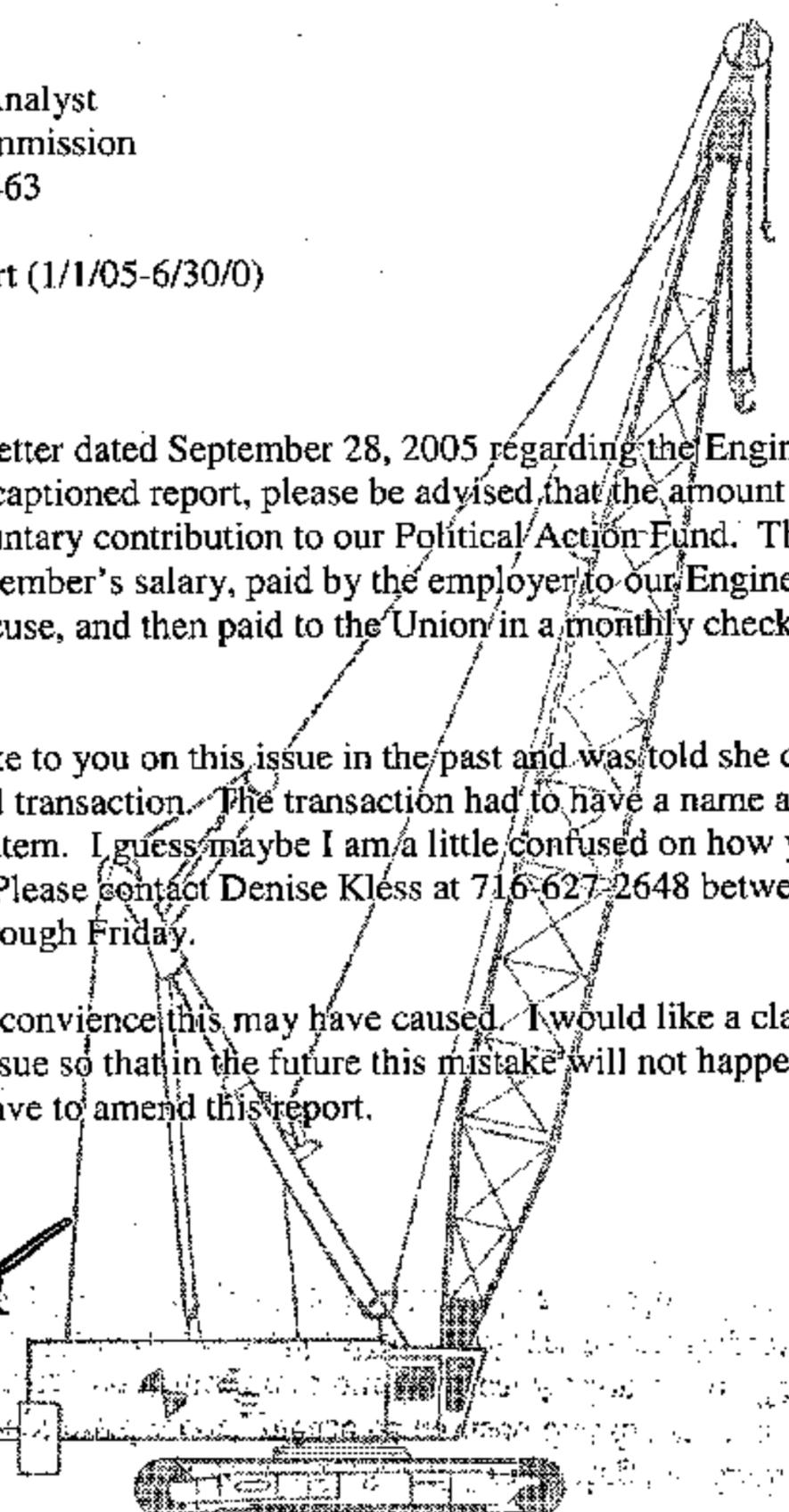
My bookkeeper spoke to you on this issue in the past and was told she could not report this as an unitemized transaction. The transaction had to have a name and to report it on line 11 (a) itemized item. I guess maybe I am a little confused on how you would like this to be reported. Please contact Denise Kless at 716-627-2648 between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

I am sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused. I would like a clarification from you regarding this issue so that in the future this mistake will not happen again. Please let me know if we have to amend this report.

Sincerely,

Mark N. Kirsch
Treasurer

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