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Re: Amended October Monthly Report (9/01/2016-9/30/2016) received 1/31/2017

Dear Mr. Adamsky:

We are responding to your letter dated May 22, 2017, which requests either an amended report or clarifying information about why the second amended report filed on January 31, 2017, ?discloses an increase in disbursements totaling \$150,000? from what the original report disclosed.

We assume you are referring to a single \$150,000 disbursement to the Working Families Party disclosed on Line 29 at page 363 of the report. In fact, this disbursement was previously disclosed on Line 29 at page 363 of the first amended report filed on October 21, 2016, which disclosed the same total figure for Line 29 (\$479,490.64) as did the second amended report. The original report that was timely filed the day before, October 20, omitted this disbursement because the disbursement was a wire transfer that inadvertently was not imported into the software used to assemble the report. The committee discovered this omission the very next day, October 21, and immediately filed the first amended report to correct it. (The committee has since taken steps to ensure that no such error involving wire transfers recurs.) The second amended report (which was filed for unrelated reasons that the committee explained in a miscellaneous text Form 99 filed on March 3, 2017) of course properly disclosed the same disbursement again. We also note that the January 26, 2017, RFAI letter concerning the first amended report did not inquire about that report?s increase in disbursements from the original report.

In sum, the committee?s omission was unintentional and due to technical reasons, and the omission lasted for just 24 hours, when it was immediately discovered and rectified with full public notice 18 days before the general election, not for over three months as your letter suggests. We respectfully submit that this explanation should close the Commission?s inquiry into this matter.

Sincerely,

Sara Steffens, Treasurer

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