



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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September 28, 2005

Christopher Maska, Treasurer
Republican Party of Texas
900 Congress Avenue, Suite 300
Austin, TX 78701

**Response Due Date:
October 28, 2005**

Identification Number: C00143743

Reference: Amended April Monthly Report (3/1/05 – 3/31/05), received 8/31/05

Dear Mr. Maska:

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 H4 of your report discloses payments to ARS Inc., Adrian Information Strategies and various counties which are categorized as Administrative expenses; however, the purposes of disbursement disclosed are "List Acquisition" and "List Development." Please be advised that payments made for your committee's generic voter drive activities, that do not qualify as Federal election activities and that are not party exempt activities, should be categorized as Voter Drive expenses on Schedule H4. Please amend your report to clarify the appropriate category for these activities or provide clarifying information regarding these apparent discrepancies.

-Schedule H4 of your report discloses a payment to the United States Postal Service, which is categorized as an Administrative expense; however, the purpose of disbursement disclosed is Generic Bulk Mail. Please be advised that payments made for your committee's fundraising activities must be allocated according to the funds received method and the ratio reflected on Schedule H2. Please amend your report to clarify the appropriate category for this activity or provide clarifying information regarding this apparent discrepancy.

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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) 694-1301.

Sincerely,



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