



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20461

RQ-3

February 13, 2003

Jeanette Hyde, Treasurer  
New American Optimists  
Post Office Box 2068  
Raleigh, NC 27602

Identification Number: C00368613

Reference: ~~July Quarterly (4/1/02-6/30/02)~~, August Monthly (7/1/02-7/31/02),  
October Monthly (9/1/02-9/30/02) and September Monthly (8/1/02-  
8/31/02) Reports

Dear Ms. Hyde:

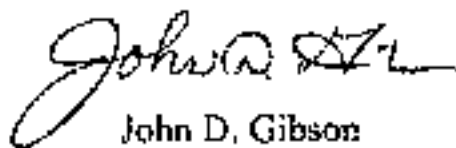
This letter is to inform you that as of February 12, 2003 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated January 22, 2003. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by March 5, 2003. 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, please contact Julie Perry on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or

out local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



John D. Gibson  
Assistant Staff Director  
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosures

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JAN 22 2003

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Reference: July Quarterly Report (4/01/02-6/30/02)

Dear Ms. Hyde:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the Primary election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (pertinent portion(s) attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign.

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

If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent

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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. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

-Please provide a Schedule C and C1, as appropriate, to support the payment of \$6,000 to *MBNA America* for "Credit Advance". Commission Regulations require loans and lines of credit received from lending institutions must be originally reported on both Schedules C and C-1. The Committee must continuously report the status of the loan on Schedule C, and should file a new Schedule C-1 if the loan or line of credit is restructured or if a draw on the line of credit is made. For lines of credit, the original amount on Schedule C will change when additional amounts are drawn from the total credit set aside for the Committee by the lending institution to reflect the total amount of obligation which the Committee is currently required to pay.

In addition, when a loan is received or when a draw is made on a line of credit, the Committee must report this receipt on a Schedule A supporting Line 13 of the Detailed Summary Page to enter the amount into the Committee's receipts. Likewise, when a payment is made, the payments on the principal must be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 26. Any payments on interest should be reported separately on the appropriate disbursement schedule.

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule(s) H4 of your report to clarify the following description(s): "office expense" and "see below". For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

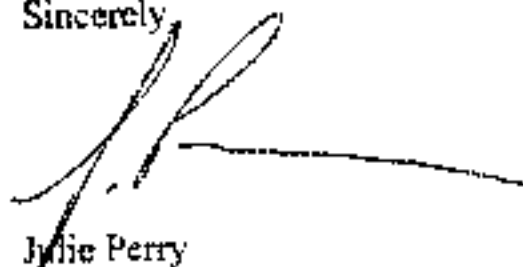
A response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in

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Sincerely,



Julie Perry  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

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**SCHEDULE B (FEC Form 3X)  
ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS**

Use separate schedule(s) for each category of the Detailed Summary Page	FOR LINE NUMBER: (check only one)		PAGE 38 of 100	
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Any information copied from such Reports and Statements may not be valid or used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee

NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)  
New American Optimists

**A. Tim Johnson for South Dakota**

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Disbursement  
 M N D Y Y Y  
 08 03 2002

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 P.O. Box 1858 \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sioux Falls SD 57101-

Purpose of Disbursement \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary 2002

Candidate Name \_\_\_\_\_ Category/Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 TIM JOHNSON Primary 2002

Office Sought: House \_\_\_\_\_ Disbursement For: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Senate \_\_\_\_\_  
 President \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary \_\_\_\_\_ General \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (specify) ▼ \_\_\_\_\_

State: SD District: 00

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period \_\_\_\_\_  
 4000.00

Transaction ID: 0603200239E562

**B. Ron Kirk for Texas**

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Disbursement  
 M N D Y Y Y  
 08 24 2002

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 2800 West Henderson #208 \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dallas TX 75206-

Purpose of Disbursement \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary 2002

Candidate Name \_\_\_\_\_ Category/Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 RONALD KIRK Primary 2002

Office Sought: House \_\_\_\_\_ Disbursement For: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Senate \_\_\_\_\_  
 President \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary \_\_\_\_\_ General \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (specify) ▼ TX Primary 3/12/02

State: TX District: 00

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period \_\_\_\_\_  
 5000.00

Transaction ID: 0624200241E632

**C. Friends of Mary Landrieu**

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Disbursement  
 M N D Y Y Y  
 08 25 2002

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 650 Poydras Suite 1434 \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 New Orleans LA 70130-

Purpose of Disbursement \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary 2002

Candidate Name \_\_\_\_\_ Category/Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 MARYL LANDRIEU Primary 2002

Office Sought: House \_\_\_\_\_ Disbursement For: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Senate \_\_\_\_\_  
 President \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary \_\_\_\_\_ General \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (specify) ▼ \_\_\_\_\_

State: LA District: 00

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period \_\_\_\_\_  
 2500.00

Transaction ID: 0626200215E6B1

**SUBTOTAL** of Disbursements This Page (optional) \_\_\_\_\_ **11500.00**

**TOTAL** This Period (last page this line number only) \_\_\_\_\_