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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) 424-9536 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or

our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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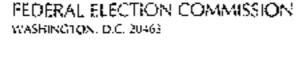
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Dear Ms. Hyde:

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:

-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 For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

Please clarify all expenditures made for "promotional materials" on Schedule(s) H4. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B, E, or F supporting Lines 23, 24, or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§ 104.3(b) and 106.1

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,

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