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Dear Mr. Zils:

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:

-Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 23 by providing the office sought, including state and congressional district, if applicable, for each contribution made. 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3)(ii) and (v)

A written 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. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry, no matter how small, should be recorded to ensure the integrity of the financial data. This includes not only sales and purchases but also expenses and income. The document provides a detailed list of items that should be tracked, such as inventory levels, accounts payable, and accounts receivable. It also outlines the procedures for recording these transactions, including the use of journals and ledgers. The second part of the document focuses on the reconciliation process. It explains how to compare the company's records with bank statements and other external sources to identify any discrepancies. This process is crucial for detecting errors and preventing fraud. The document provides a step-by-step guide to performing a reconciliation, including how to identify and investigate any differences. The final part of the document discusses the importance of regular audits. It explains that audits are necessary to ensure that the financial records are accurate and that the company is complying with all applicable laws and regulations. The document provides a list of common audit procedures and explains how to prepare for an audit. It also discusses the importance of maintaining good communication with the auditors and providing them with all the necessary information. Overall, the document provides a comprehensive guide to financial record-keeping and reconciliation, and is an essential resource for any business owner or manager.