

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463 RQ-2

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Response Due Date 09/24/2015

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00139600

REFERENCE: MID-YEAR REPORT (01/01/2015 - 06/30/2015)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following  $\underline{3}$  item(s):

1. Commission Regulations require that a committee discloses the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of 200 in a calendar year. (11 CFR § 104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name (initials for first or last name are not acceptable), complete mailing address, occupation, and name of employer. (11 CFR § 100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

The following employer name and occupation entries appear on your report and are not considered acceptable: "First Commerce Credit Union/STAFF," "First Florida Credit Union/STAFF" "Florida Central Credit Union/STAFF," "Listerhill Credit Union/Staff," "SE CORP FCU/STAFF," and "Sun Credit Union/STAFF."

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for

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the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR \$ 104.7(b)(1)) See 11 CFR \$ 104.7(b)(1)(B) for examples of acceptable statements regarding the requirements of federal law.

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2)) The requests must:

• clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution,

• inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and

• if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you should either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(4))

Please amend your report to provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

2. Schedule A of your report discloses aggregate year to date totals for contributions received from individuals which appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that federal regulations require aggregate year to date totals to include only those contributions which are received during the calendar year. In the event that the aggregate year to date total is correct, please note that federal regulations also require the disclosure of all contributions received from individuals who have contributed over \$200. 11 CFR §104.3(a)(4) Please amend your report to provide the correct aggregate year to date totals.

**3.** On Schedule B supporting Line 29, you have itemized disbursements for which you have failed to include the purpose. Please amend your report to include the missing information. (11 CFR \$ 104.3(b)(3))

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- Your report discloses certain categories of financial activity that have been reflected on the wrong lines of the Detailed Summary Page. For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, transfers to affiliated committees should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule B, supporting Line 22 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions for each line when determining the proper categorization(s) for your next filing. (52 U.S.C. §30104(b) (formerly 2 U.S.C §434(b)) and FORM 3X Instructions)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. 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. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

<u>Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports)</u> 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) 694-1175.

Sincerely,

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