



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20543

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January 21, 2005

Gary Ruffner, Treasurer  
Utility Workers Union of America  
Political Contributions Committee  
815 16th St. NW, Room 605  
Washington, DC 20006

**Response Due Date:**  
**February 22, 2005**

Identification Number: C00040741

Reference: Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/04-10/13/04), received  
1/13/05

Dear Mr. Ruffner:

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 E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 48 hour notices for independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 48 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(b), within 48 hours of any independent expenditures aggregating \$10,000 or more with respect to a given election, made any time during the calendar year up to and including the 20<sup>th</sup> day before an election. The notice must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the second day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$10,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. 11 CFR §104.3(b)

Unlike previous election cycles, 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.

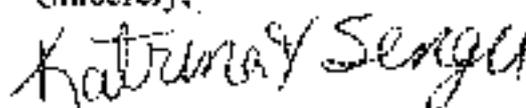
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**Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement 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) 694-1137.

Sincerely,



Katrina Senger  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

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## Missing 48 Hour Notices

Name of Payee	Date	Amount	Purpose	Candidate
American Products	10/5/04	\$4,108.66	Educational Promotion	John Kerry
Fingerhut Powers & Smith	10/4/04	\$3,381.25	Educational Video	John Kerry
Kelley Press	10/6/04	\$4,069.80	Educational Promotion	John Kerry

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