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Ms. Nicole Miller Reports Analysis Division Federal Election Commission Washington, DC 20463

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Dear Ms. Miller:

This letter is in response to your February 14, 2017 Request for Additional Information (RFAI), asking for additional information pertaining to General election debt retirement contributions made by the AT&T Federal PAC to "Don Bacon for Congress" and "Ted Budd for Congress." Typically, debt retirement contributions are made by the AT&T Federal PAC in response to a specific request from a candidate's committee, and, prior to making any debt retirement contributions, the AT&T Federal PAC reviews the committee's information that is publicly filed with the Federal Election Commission to confirm the committee has outstanding debt. At the time these debt retirement contributions were made, the AT&T Federal PAC conducted this due diligence process.

The AT&T Federal PAC contribution to "Ted Budd for Congress" was designated for 2016 General debt retirement; however when we contacted the campaign committee after receiving your correspondence, we were informed that upon further review of their committee's campaign finances, they only had 2016 Primary election debt. "Ted Budd for Congress" issued a refund to the AT&T Federal PAC on 3/6/17 which will be reported in our April 20 Monthly filing with the FEC.

Subsequent to receipt of your correspondence, the "Don Bacon for Congress" committee informed the AT&T Federal PAC that the FEC's analysis of their campaign's finances was incorrect as they were still receiving invoices from vendors. The campaign committee also stated that their FEC analyst informed them that acceptance of our contribution for 2016 General debt retirement was permissible. The AT&T Federal PAC therefore deems that no further action pertaining to this contribution is necessary.

Sincerely,

George B. Goeke

Treasurer, AT&T Federal PAC

Enclosure



March 9, 2017

Mr. George Geoke AT&T Federal Political Action Committee 208 South Akard Street, Suite 1812 Dallas, TX 75202

Dear Mr. Goeke,

I want to thank you for your organization's generous donation towards retiring the debt for the Don Bacon 2016 campaign. In the last couple of months, you might have received a request for additional information (RFAI) from the FEC indicating that the Bacon campaign did not have debt.

The RFAI is not correct and your donation was properly allocated for debt relief. At the time of the memorandum, the FEC's analysis of our campaign finances was based on a snapshot in time prior to the filing of our end of the year report. Prior to the end of the year, our campaign was still receiving invoices from vendors. Following the filing of our end of the year report, our team has met with in person and communicated on the phone with the Analyst assigned to our campaign.

Our FEC Analyst has informed us that we are proper in accepting your donation for debt retirement, especially in light of our end of year report.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely,

Scott Petersen

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