



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Kurt Lettow, Treasurer
Principal Life Insurance Company
Political Action Committee
711 High Street/Tax Department
Des Moines, IA 50392

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Identification Number: C00128918

Reference: Year End Report (11/28/00-12/31/00)

Dear Mr. Lettow:

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:

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses a contribution(s) to a candidate(s) for the 2000 general election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (pertinent portion(s) attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an impermissible contribution, you should notify the recipient and request a refund and/or notify the recipient in writing of your redesignation of the contribution. In the best interest of your committee, all refunds and redesignations should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution(s).

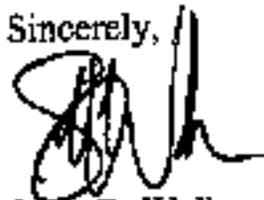
Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo

entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

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,



Scott B. Walker
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Full Name, Mailing Address, and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Contribution / (Senate - DE -)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Tom Carper First State PAC 729 15th Street, NW Suite 300 Washington DC 20005	Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	12/07/2000 <i>General</i>	1000.00 <i>11/7/00</i>
Tom Harkin Citizens for Harkin 227 Massachusetts Ave, NE Ste 101 Washington DC 20002	Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	12/07/2000	1000.00
Jim Maloney Friends of Jim Maloney 20 E Main St, Ste 235 Waterbury CT 06702	Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	12/07/2000 <i>General</i>	1000.00 <i>11/7/00</i>
Ben Nelson Nat'l 2000 Debt Retirement Account 301 4th Street, NW Suite 201 Washington DC 20002	Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	12/07/2000	1000.00
Rick Santorum Santorum 2000 128 North Columbus Street Alexandria VA 22314	Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	12/07/2000 <i>General</i>	1000.00 <i>11/7/00</i>
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TOTALS This Period (last page this line number only)			5000.00

