



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
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THE TEA PARTY LEADERSHIP FUND  
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**Response Due Date**

**05/02/2016**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00520825

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT (07/01/2015 - 12/31/2015)

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 4 item(s):

1. Your report discloses the apparent disbursement of earmarked contributions outside the permissible time period. As a conduit or intermediary for an authorized committee, your committee must forward any earmarked contribution, along with a transmittal report, no later than ten (10) days after receiving the earmarked contribution. (11 CFR §§102.8(a) and (c) and 110.6(c) (1)(iii))

If the earmarked contributions were incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your report with clarifying information.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the untimely forwarding of earmarked contributions, your prompt action in addressing the concerns raised will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedule B discloses earmarked contribution(s) totaling \$2,640.00 received from several individuals supporting Friends of Dave Brat, that do not match the receipt(s) itemized on Schedule A. Pursuant to 11 CFR §110.6(c), all earmarked contributions, that have passed through a conduit's account, must be itemized on the receipt (Schedule A) and disbursement (Schedule B) schedules, regardless of the amount. All earmarked contributions that have been forwarded in the form of the contributor's check or written instrument must be itemized as memo entries on the receipt (Schedule A) and disbursement