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RE: John Tierney For Congress '98
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Dear Ms. Sheppard:

I am writing in response to your letter dated July 7, 1998. I will respond to the two issues raised in your letter in the order in which you stated them:

Schedule A, has a number of transactions which are stated as April 4, 1998. Those transaction dates should have been March 30, 1998. The incorrect dates appear to be dates that the transactions were processed, not when they were received, apparently because of a computer operator or programming problem, which we have since addressed.

My review of Schedule B does not appear to indicate any dates for activity occurring outside the coverage dates, as we discussed on July 17, 1998.

Regarding the names of political committees we are addressing this problem by providing the requested information for future reports.

The computer problems referred to above may be the result of computer memory capacity being exhausted by the increase in data as more information has come into the data base over the last several years. We have taken steps recently to address this problem with software and hardware changes. We expect to correct this problem within the next ten days.