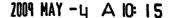
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To: Christopher A. Whyrick, FEC Senior Campaign Finance Analyst Fr. Justine Barone, Environment California Custodian of Records

ID Number: C90010679

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Re: 24-Hour Notice of Independent Expenditures, submitted 10/24/08

This is a response to your request for additional information dated April 2, 2009 regarding the above referenced organization. On October 24, 2008, Environment California reported in error a \$660,000 grant to Environment America. This grant, made on September 16, 2008, was to support Environment America's general programs; it was not an independent expenditure. As soon as Environment California detected this clerical error, it promptly (within 48 hours), filed an amendment to correct the October 24, 2008 24-Hour Notice of Independent Expenditures; the corrected filing was submitted October 26, 2008. The grant was not an independent expenditure and therefore was not subject to the FEC's 24-hour reporting requirement.



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April 2, 2009

Justine Barone, Custodian of Records Environment California, Inc. 1107 9th Street, Suite 601 Sacramento, CA 95814

Response Due Date: May 4, 2009

Identification Number: C90010679

Reference: 24-Ho

24-Hour Notice of Independent Expenditures, received 10/24/08

Dear Custodian of Records:

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. 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 item:

-Schedule 5-E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to timely file one or more of the required 24 hour notices regarding "last minute" independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 24 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(c), within 24 hours of any independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more with respect to a given election, made between two and twenty days before an election. The notice must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$1,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule 5-E. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. 11 CFR §104.3(b)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. 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. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

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) 694-1161.

Sincerely,

Christopher A. Whyrick

Senior Campaign Finance Analyst

Reports Analysis Division

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Name of Payee	Date	Amount	Purpose	Candidate
Environment America, Inc.	9/16/2008	\$660,000	Pro-Obama Outreach	Barack Obama

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