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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

October 3, 2002

P. James Nicholson, Treasurer  
Maine Republican Party  
76 Silver Street  
Waterville, ME 04901

Identification Number: C00003111

Reference: Amended April Quarterly Report (1/1/02-3/31/02), received 7/11/02

Dear Mr. Nicholson:

This letter is to inform you that as of October 2, 2002, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated September 11, 2002. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by October 23, 2002. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. 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.

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, please contact Angel Williamson on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson  
Assistant Staff Director  
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosure



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Reference: Amended April Quarterly Report (1/1/02-3/31/02), received 7/11/02

Dear Mr. Nicholson:

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:

-Please amend your report by providing the purpose for each disbursement itemized on Schedule(s) B supporting Line(s) 21(b).

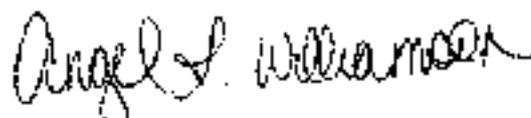
-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule(s) H4 of your report to clarify the following description(s): "campaign expenses". For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-On Schedule H1 of your report, you have disclosed more than one method of allocation for shared administrative expenses and voter drive costs. State party committees are required to allocate these expenditures according to the ballot composition ratio. 11 CFR § 106.5(d)(1) Please amend your report to provide the proper allocation ratio.

A response or 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. 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 need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at

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Sincerely,



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