



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
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Patricia Blevins, Treasurer  
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Wilmington, DE 19899

Identification Number: C00211763

Reference: July Quarterly Report (4/1/02-6/30/02)

Dear Ms. Blevins:

On November 27, 2002, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your December 12, 2002 response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-Schedule B discloses transfers to your non-federal account for ratio and rebate/refund adjustments that were originally disclosed on Schedule H4 as a shared allocable expense between your federal and non-federal accounts. However, you transferred the total amount of the original ratio and rebate/refund adjustments, including the federal share, to the non-federal account. While these types of disbursements should be disclosed as 100% federal transfers-out to avoid apparent excessive transfers-in from your non-federal account, only the non-federal portion should be transferred out to the non-federal account. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy.

-Schedule H3 of your report discloses a transfer(s)-in from a non-federal account(s) for Jefferson - Jackson Dinner 2002 which appears to exceed the permissible amount(s) indicated by your allocation ratio for this event. Please be advised that transfers for shared activity must not exceed the non-federal share of the joint disbursements and that these transfers must be made within a 70-day time period: no more than 10 days before or 60 days

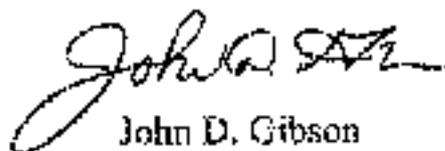
after payment to the vendor. 11 CFR §§106.5(g)(2) and 106.5(e)(2) Please clarify the nature of this transfer(s)-in from the non-federal account.

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer the total excessive amount received by your federal account back to your non-federal account. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by January 8, 2003. 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 related to this matter, please contact Alissa Sagti 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,



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