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July 9, 2003

Mr. John D. Gibson
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Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: The Freedom Project 2002 Post General and Year End Reports

Dear Mr. Gibson:

I am in receipt of your letter dated June 19, 2003 notifying me that The Freedom Project has not responded to Antoinette Kitchen's letters of May 28, 2003. Please pardon our delay.

The May 28 letters indicate that The Freedom Project may have made excessive contributions to several candidates and that it must seek a refund of the excessive amount of any contributions, or provide a written authorization for a redesignation. With respect to each of the contributions identified on the Post-General Election Report, The Freedom Project had requested refunds from each of the candidates on October 31, 2002. With respect to each of the contributions identified on the Year End Report, The Freedom Project had requested refunds from each of the candidates on December 23, 2002. Copies of those letters will be included with a hard copy of this letter filed with Federal Election Commission. In addition, in response to your letter, The Freedom Project has made a second request from each of the candidates involved. Copies of those letter also will be provided as an enclosure to the hard copy of the letters. However, please note that on July 29, 2002, The Freedom Project received a refund of $331.59 from Chambliss for Senate covering the in-kinds reported on April 15, 2002. This refund was reflected as an offset on Line 15 of the August 2002 report.

In addition, you indicate that on October 24, 2002, The Freedom Project made potentially excessive contributions to three candidates. Each of these candidates was designated in our database as a primary debt contribution, but when the data was transmitted to the FEC the contributions appeared as general election contributions. We are resubmitting the report to amend this transmission problem. Finally, you indicate that several in-kind contributions were made after the date of the general election. However, in each of these cases, the services were provided prior to the general election. Thus, the reports are being amended to show the date of the contributions on line 23 as the date of services, and the date of the payments as memo entries on line 21b of the appropriate report. Thank you for your assistance in rectifying this problem.

I trust this responds to your letters.

Sincerely,

Bruce A. Gates
Treasurer