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September 5, 2008

Ms. Jodi Winship
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst
Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

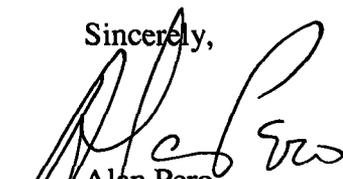
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Dear Ms. Winship:

Pursuant to your letter dated August 13, 2008 I am forwarding for your records copies of the letters sent to Brian Higgins for Congress and Hillary Clinton for President requesting the return of campaign contributions which exceeded campaign contribution limits to the International Union of Operating Engineers/Local 17 Political Action Committee.

Upon receipt of refunds we will make the necessary amendments to our FEC reports and forward them to your attention. Should you have any questions regarding this matter or require any additional information I can be reached at 716-627-2648.

Sincerely,


Alan Pero
Treasurer

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September 2, 2008

The Honorable Brian Higgins
Brian Higgins for Congress
1177 Abbott Road
Buffalo, New York 14220

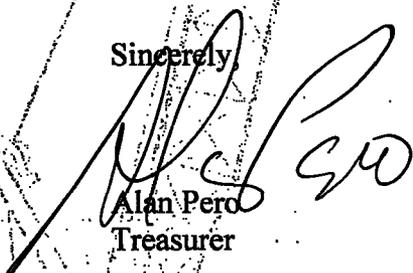
Dear Treasurer:

On August 13, 2008, the Federal Election Commission (FEC) sent a preliminary review letter to the International Union of Operating Engineers/Local 17 Political Action Committee informing us that we contributed to Congressman Brian Higgins' 2008 primary election campaign, which exceeded the \$5,000 per election limitation for multicandidate committees.

As stated in the FEC's letter, the International Union of Operating Engineers/Local 17 Political Action Committee made a \$5,000 contribution to Representative Higgins' primary election campaign on March 19, 2008. Previously, IUOE/Local 17 Political Action Committee and the IUOE/Engineers Political Education Committee had contributed a total of \$5,000 to Representative Higgins' 2008 primary election. Accordingly, to comply with federal election law, the International Union of Operating Engineers/Local 17 Political Action Committee requests a refund of the \$5,000.00 contributed on March 19, 2008.

The International Union of Operating Engineers/Local 17 Political Action Committee must provide the FEC with a photocopy of this refund by September 15, 2008. Your prompt response is appreciated.

Sincerely,

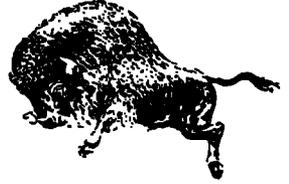

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September 4, 2008

The Honorable Hillary Clinton
Hillary Clinton for President
Post Office Box 101436
Arlington, Virginia 22210

Dear Treasurer:

On August 13, 2008, the Federal Election Commission (FEC) sent a preliminary review letter to the International Union of Operating Engineers/Local 17 Political Action Committee informing us that our contribution to the Hillary Clinton for President 2008 primary election campaign exceeded the \$5,000 per election limitation for multicandidate committees.

As stated in the FEC's letter, the International Union of Operating Engineers/Local 17 Political Action Committee made a \$1,000 contribution to the Hillary Clinton for President primary election campaign on January 18, 2008, which exceeded the contribution limit. Accordingly, your committee should process a check in the amount of \$1,000 made payable to the International Union of Operating Engineers/Local 17 Political Action Committee in order to ensure compliance with FEC contribution limitations of \$5,000 per election.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Alan Pero
Treasurer

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