

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

October 18, 2001

Harvey Labko, Treasurer
Western Growers Association Political
Action Committee Federal
17620 Fitch Street
Irvine, CA 92614

Identification Number:

C00193979

Reference:

Amended Year End Report (7/1/99-12/31/99), dated 12/20/00, July Quarterly Report (4/1/00-6/30/00), October Quarterly Report (7/1/00-9/30/00) and Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/00-10/18/00),

dated 2/20/01

Dear Mr. Labko:

This letter is to inform you that as of October 17, 2001, the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated September 26, 2001. These notices request 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 these requests (copies enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by November 7, 2001. 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.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Thomas Maxwell 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

Enclosures



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Dear Mr. Labko:

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:

-Schedule B of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) precludes a multicandidate committee and its affiliates from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an excessive contribution, you should notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of \$5,000 and/or notify the recipient in writing of your redesignation of the contribution. In the best interest of your committee, all refunds and redesignations should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution(s).

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memoentries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

-The totals listed on Lines 21(a)(i), 21(c), and 23, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

A written response or an 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. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

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