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Attn: Melissa Hurd, Reports Analyst

RE: Ohio Republican State Central and Executive Committee
12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/96-10/16/96)

Dear Ms. Hurd:

This letter is in response to the Commission's request for additional information regarding the above referenced reporting period. An itemization follows:

Please clarify all expenditures made for Party Building Media on Schedule H4.

All expenditures for Party Building Media were for generic party advertising that did not advocate the election or defeat of any federal candidate.

Schedule A supporting line 12 discloses a transfer in from the Republican National Committee. Schedule B Line 21(b) reflects payments for various exempt activities. Please clarify the nature of the transfers-in and payments for exempt activities.

From time to time the Republican National Committee transfers funds to the Ohio Republican State Central and Executive Committee. None of these funds were used for volunteer, exempt activities nor were these funds used for candidate specific programs.

Please clarify the purpose of disbursements for Visa/MC fees.

The fee charges are automatically withdrawn from our Federal account to cover the expense of our using a Visa/MC system to accept contributions. These are not charges made on a credit card for items or services.

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