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Shirley J. Warehime, Treasurer
Montana Republican State Central
Committee
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Reference: Mid-Year Report (1/1/97-6/30/97)

Dear Ms. Warehime:

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:

-Schedules H2 and H4 disclose 100% federal activity. Please be advised that by definition, this activity does not qualify as a shared expense to be allocated between your federal and non-federal accounts. This activity should be itemized on a Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Any reimbursement from your committee's non-federal account for any portion of this activity is not permissible and must be returned. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy.

-Schedule D of your report has failed to include certain information. Commission Regulations require the full name and mailing address of each creditor, the outstanding balance at the beginning and end of the reporting period, the amount incurred during the period, the payment made during the period, and the nature or purpose of each debt. Additionally, all debts must be reported continuously until extinguished or settled. Please amend your report by providing the nature of the debt. 11 CFR §104.11

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. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,



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