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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
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February 18, 2005

Glen O'Connell, Treasurer  
South Carolina Republican Party  
1508 Lady Street  
Columbia, SC 29201

Response Due Date:  
March 21, 2005

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Reference: Amended February Monthly Report (1/01/04-1/31/04), received 6/23/04

Dear Mr. O'Connell:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Commission Regulations require that a committee disclose the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer. (11 CFR §100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR §104.7(b)(1))

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the

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contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2))  
The request must:

- clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution;
- inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and
- if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you shall either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR §104.7(b)(4))

Please provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule B of your report to clarify the following description(s): "REFUND OF OVERPD FED. ALLOCATION/H3." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-On Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page, your committee discloses a disbursement for "REFUND OF OVERPD FED. ALLOCATION/H3" and lists itself, "SCGOP Federal Account," as the payee. Please clarify the nature of this transaction and amend Schedule B by providing the correct name and mailing address of the payee.

Note: If this transaction represents an "internal transfer" of funds from one federal account to another, and the recipient(s) of such funds has been identified in previous reports of receipts and disbursements, such transfers should not be itemized as doing so may cause inflated disbursement totals and reflect an incorrect cash-on-hand amount.

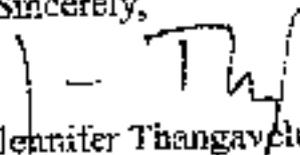
Unlike previous election cycles, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date

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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.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1143.

Sincerely,



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