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Dear Mr. Leopold:

This letter responds to the May 4, 2004 letter from the Federal Election Commission (Commission) to the Hastert for Congress Committee (HCC) in connection with the above referenced report. Specifically, the Commission inquired about contributor information under the Commission's best efforts regulations.

In a letter to the Commission on this issue filed electronically May 6, 2003 (copy attached), HCC outlined our Committee's procedure for requesting contributor information. I will again explain our process.

Each solicitation from HCC informs the recipient of the reporting requirements under federal law and includes a request for the contributor's name, mailing address, occupation and employer. (See attachment 1.) The disclaimer appears in a clear and conspicuous manner on each solicitation.

If a contribution is received without the required contributor information, we send the contributor a stand-alone written request for the information. The information requests are sent to these contributors no later than two weeks after their contributions are received, well within the thirty-day window under Commission regulations. The written request informs the recipient of the requirements under federal law for reporting the contributor information, does not solicit contributions to HCC or any other political committee, and includes a pre-addressed, postage-paid envelope. (See attachment 2.)

If the requested information is received from a contributor, we amend the appropriate report by (1) filing an amended Schedule A with the next regularly scheduled report, or (2) filing amendments to the reports originally disclosing the contributions on or before the next regularly scheduled reporting date which include the contributor identification information, and the dates and amounts of the contributions.

We trust this explanation answers your questions. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely yours,

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