



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 31, 2008

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Jeffrey Rechenbach, Treasurer
Communications Workers of America-
COPE Political Contributions Committee
501 Third Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

Response Due Date:
February 2, 2009

Identification Number: C00002089

Reference: 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/08-10/15/08)

Dear Treasurer:

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. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 2 items:

1. The Commission notes the transfers-out on Schedule B to Communications Workers of America for the apparent misdeposit of funds originally intended for your connected organization. 2 U.S.C. §441b prohibits the receipt of funds from national banks, corporations, and labor organizations, except that a connected organization may pay for the solicitation or other administrative costs of its separate segregated fund. 11 CFR §114.5(b)(3) Further, you are advised that contributions deposited in a federal account must meet the following conditions: the contributions are designated or expressly solicited for use in connection with federal elections and contributors are informed that their contributions are subject to the limits and prohibitions of the Act. 11 CFR §102.5(a)(1) and (2)

Please provide the date of the original deposit into the federal account and amend the appropriate report to disclose the receipt of these funds on Schedule A supporting the appropriate line of the Detailed Summary Page. Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the misdeposited funds, your prompt action in refunding or transferring out this amount will be taken into consideration.

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2. Schedule B of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) prohibits a multicandidate committee *and its affiliates* from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If any contribution you made exceeds the limits, you must request a refund of the excessive amount or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund of the excessive amount.

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 memo entries 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.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. 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. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

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

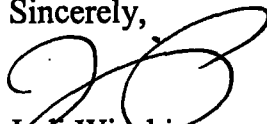
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questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1136.

Sincerely,



Jodi Winship
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	Report	Contributing Affiliate
Carney For Congress	06/17/2008	\$1,000.00	G2008	2008 July Monthly	C00002089
Carney For Congress	09/26/2008	\$4,000.00	G2008	2008 October Quarterly	C00109595
Carney For Congress	10/07/2008	\$1,000.00	G2008	2008 12 Day Pre- General	C00002089

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