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RE: May Monthly Report (04/01/02-04/30/02)

Dear Mr. Walker;

This correspondence is in response to your "Request For Additional Information" ("RFAI"), resulting from the Republican National Committee's ("RNC") "May Monthly Report (04/01/02-04/30/02)".

With regard to the "usual and normal charge" for fees received from a federal candidate on Schedule A supporting Line 15, the RNC charges fair market value for services it provides. Prices are intended to recover the cost for providing the service. The services reported on this schedule for which the RNC received payment were not services of a nature which is unique to the RNC. Services of this type are common in the business community and as such, the RNC compares the price charged to prices set by other commercial sources.

Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) of this report includes payments to another political committee. With regard to the "usual and normal charge", we are assured the fee is a commercially reasonable rate because we regularly obtain similar services from a variety of sources both political and commercial.

With regard to Schedule H3. We have received clarification of the question as to why our non-federal transfer appeared to exceed our non-federal portion of the expenditures for Event E2. Upon close inspection, we have determined that three memo entries which we reported to support our expenditures have caused this question to arise. The sum of the three entries equals the amount in question, however, we did not intend entries with 'X' in the memo field to be summed. We believe the information is filed correctly.

To clarify expenditures listed for Radio Time, Video Production, Telemarketing, Ad Costs, Media Costs, Advertising, Satellite Time, Video or Broadcast Costs, these are RNC operating costs. None of these expenditures are Candidate specific. They are either generic overhead costs or RNC fundraising costs. This note is attached to all filings that include these costs.

We have corrected and filed the amended Schedule H4 to correctly indicate the purpose of disbursements that had previously indicated trans or supplies.

With regard to the difference between the itemized receipts and disbursements and the amounts reported on Schedule I for the Republican National State Election Committee, the respective amounts represent transactions which do not meet the requirements to be itemized.

I trust this response answers your inquiry. However, if you need further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Pat Huyck

Director of Accounting

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