



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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April 16, 2008

Thomas J. Ruebel, Treasurer
Fifth Third Bancorp Political Action Committee
3886 North High Street
Columbus, OH 43214

Response Due Date:
May 16, 2008

Identification Number: C00290502

Reference: Year End Report (7/1/07-12/31/07)

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 item:

1. 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

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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)

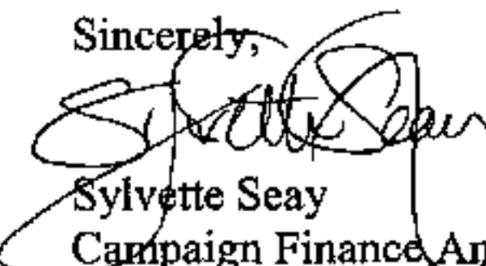
Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses contributions to Chabot - Ohio Victory Committee; however, you have also disclosed "Steve Chabot" for this transaction. Please clarify whether these were earmarked contributions made by your committee through Chabot - Ohio Victory Committee to this candidate, or if you made the contribution to the political committee exercising no direction or control over how the funds were to be used. If the latter is the case, please do not include the candidate's name on your report. Please amend your report to clarify the ultimate recipient of this contribution(s).

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 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) 694-1393.

Sincerely,



Sylvette Seay
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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Excessive Contributions to a Committee/Candidate

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	Report
Steve Chabot for Congress	4/30/07	\$1000	P2008	2007 Mid-Year
Steve Chabot for Congress	6/14/07	\$1000	P2008	2007 Mid-Year
Steve Chabot for Congress	10/17/07	\$5000	P2008	2007 Year End
Steve Chabot for Congress	10/22/07	\$1500	P2008	2007 Year End
Steve Chabot for Congress	10/26/07	\$7250	P2008	2007 Year End

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