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Mr. Hartsock:

This letter is in response to your letter of August 1, 2007 regarding the 2007 Mid-Year report for Green Mountain PAC.

Your letter references a payment from a federal candidate committee. This payment was for the purchase of a list from Green Mountain PAC. The federal candidate committee was assessed the usual and normal charge for this information. We retained the services of Blackrock Associates who researched fair market value of the list. Based on their survey of the political landscape and similar transactions, a per name fee was determined. The payment reflects that market value charge for each name on the list.

The reception expenses, photography, photo services, postage and printing you noted were expenses incurred for a fundraiser supporting the general operations of the PAC. The payments were not done on behalf of a specific candidate or for public communications advocacy.

Finally, Green Mountain PAC completely discloses all administrative costs. The only staff costs are for consultants who do fundraising and general administration.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Richard Cassidy
Treasurer
Green Mountain PAC
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