

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20004

Re: Post General Report for Ste. Michelle Wine Estates Ltd. Political Action Committee  
Committee Identification Number C00270421

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter provides background information concerning the amendment of the Post General Election Report that the Ste. Michelle Wine Estates Ltd. Political Action Committee filed on January 31, 2011.

The amendments were necessitated by the discovery of a series of clerical errors, as described in more detail below:

Post General: The Post General Report incorrectly reported a transfer from Altria Group, Inc. Political Action Committee (Altriapac) on the date the check was printed. However, the transfer was not made on that date but was made at a later date. The amended Post General Report correctly reports this transfer on the date the transfer occurred. Additionally, the Post General Report unintentionally failed to disclose two transfers from Altriapac (\$1,000 on 10/22/2010 and \$1,000 on 10/28/2010) that have been included in the amended Post General Report. Finally, we unintentionally failed to disclose a contribution to a committee (Hastings for Congress Campaign Committee for \$1,000 on 10/28/2010) on the original submission, and this has been included in the amended Post General Report.

The clerical errors described above were corrected in filings submitted with this letter. We regret any inconvenience or confusion that these clerical errors may have caused.

I hope this adequately explains the reasons for these amendments. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this report.

Sincerely,

Richard W. McDonnell  
Assistant Treasurer