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Ohio Republican Party C00162339
12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/2004-10/13/2004)

Following are the clarifications you requested in your audit letter dated 3-9-2005.

1) Best Efforts
Per FEC rules we do the following for our "best efforts" On the initial contact piece used to solicit donations we request and disclose the requirement of the need for employer/occupations. If that is not completed and sent in with the contribution we follow up with a letter requesting the information once again. This is the letter we send:

Contributor Name
Address

Dear Contributor,

Thank you for your recent contribution to the Ohio Republican Party. Your generous support is being used to keep Republicans in offices at the federal, state and local levels.

As you may be aware, federal election law requires us to report the name, address, occupation and employer for our contributors who have aggregated over $100 in a calendar year. For this reason, we would greatly appreciate your cooperation in completing the form below. Once you have provided the necessary information, please refold this letter and return it to us, using the enclosed postage-paid envelope, at your earliest convenience.

I apologize for the inconvenience this matter is causing you, but I am sure you can understand the Ohio Republican Party's desire to comply fully with the law. Again, many thanks for your most generous support of our great party.

Sincerely

Upon receipt of the information requested we update our contributor database with the information and then either amend the necessary report or reflect as memo entries on our next report.

2) Federal Election Activity
The disbursements on Schedule B supporting Line 30(b) represents Federal Election Activity and are considered to be generic get out the vote activity and therefore not attributed to any one candidate.

3) Schedule B Line 30(b)
These disbursements all represent generic get out the vote activity and are not allocable to any specific candidate and qualify as exempt activity as they were distributed by a significant volunteer effort.

4) Schedule A line 12
No Republican National Committee transferred funds were used to purchase volunteer exempt shirts or exempt walking pieces. These were paid for with wholly home grown federal funds. Funds transferred from the Republican National Committee were used to pay administrative costs of the Ohio Republican Party and for the generic portions of party building programs including slate cards.

Sincerely,
Terri Matthews-Controller