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Reference: Mid-Year Report (1/1/99-6/30/99)

Dear Mr. Murphy:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule H3 of your report discloses transfers received from your non-federal account which occur outside the permissible transfer period. Please be advised that transfers for shared activity must be made within a 70-day time period; no more than 10 days before or 60 days after the payment to the vendor. 11 CFR §§106.5(g)(2) and 106.6(e)(2) Please clarify the nature of these transfers-in from the non-federal account.

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer the total excessive amount received by your federal account outside the 70-day time period back to your non-federal account. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

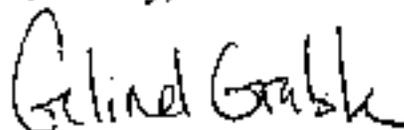
-On Schedule H1 of your report, you have counted too many points for Local Candidates (Line 9) when calculating your committee's Ballot Composition ratio. Please be advised that state party committees are permitted to take only 1 point for Line 9, while local party committees may take 2 points. Please amend your report to include a corrected Schedule H1 and note that a change in this ratio may make it necessary to repay your non-federal account for any overpayments they may have made. While the Commission may take further legal action concerning any impermissible overpayments by the non-federal account, your prompt action will be taken into consideration. 11 CFR §106.5(d)(1)(ii)

-Schedule D of your report has failed to include certain information. Commission Regulations require the full name and mailing address of each creditor, the outstanding balance at the beginning and end of the reporting period, the amount incurred during the period, the payment made during the period, and the nature or purpose of each debt. Additionally, all debts must be reported continuously until extinguished or settled. Please amend your report by providing the outstanding balance at close of this period. 11 CFR §104.11

-Your report disclosed a category of financial activity that has been reflected on the wrong line of the Detailed Summary Page. In-kind Contributions to federal Candidates should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule B, supporting Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions contained on the forms to determine the proper categorization when preparing your next filing.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



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