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

Dear Mr. Carlson:

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:

-Please provide a Schedule C or D, as appropriate, to support the entry of \$10,051.82 reported on Schedule C-1. Loans and debts must be continuously reported until they are either repaid or settled. 11 CFR §104.3(d)

-Your report discloses a payment(s) on Schedule B to the National Bank of Commerce that has not been recorded on Schedule C. Loan Payments must also be reflected on Schedule C. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy. 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(4)

-Your calculations for Line 31, Columns A and B appear to be incorrect. FEC calculations disclose this amount(s) to be \$81,753.94. Please provide the corrected total(s) on the Detailed Summary Page.

-You must attempt to obtain the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer for all individuals who contribute more than \$200 in a calendar year. Please amend your report to include the omitted information.

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A committee may establish "best efforts" by providing the Commission with a description of its procedures for requesting the information. It is also in the best interests of the committee to provide a copy of its solicitation. In order to establish "best efforts", the committee must demonstrate that it makes at least one request for the information after the contribution is received. This one request must be made for any solicited or unsolicited contribution that, in the aggregate, exceeds the \$200 threshold and lacks the necessary information.

Each solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the information. If a committee receives a contribution that, in the aggregate, exceeds the \$200 threshold but lacks contributor information, the committee must, within 30 days, make a written or oral request for the information. Please note that a written request may not include an additional solicitation or material on any other subject, other than thanking the contributor for the donation, and must include a pre-addressed return post card or envelope for the contributor's response. An oral request must be documented in writing. Committees must also disclose information that was not provided by the contributor, but is available in any of the committee's records for that current election cycle.

If a committee receives contributor information after the contributions have been reported, the committee shall either a) file with its next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before its next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i) and 11 CFR § 104.7)

-Schedule H4 discloses a disbursement(s) for DSM2 which is categorized as Fundraising; however, Schedule H2 does not include an allocation ratio for this activity. Please amend Schedule H2 to disclose the omitted ratio.

-Schedule H2 indicates the allocation ratio for SRD, SCC/EXEC and Administrative was revised during the reporting period. Please provide the date of each fundraising program or event. 106.5 (f)(2). In the event that an excessive non-federal transfer was received, the excessive amount should be transferred back to your non-federal account.

-Schedule H2 of your report indicates that your committee participated in

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fundraising events, named SRD, SCC/EXEC and Administrative, during the reporting period. However, there are no corresponding disbursements reflected on your Schedule H4. If any disbursements were incorrectly reported, you should file an amended Schedule H4 with the correct unique identifying code or title.

Note that you need not include activities on Schedule H2 if there are no corresponding payments made for the activity during the reporting period.

-2 U.S.C. §434(b)(3) requires itemization of contributions from individuals and persons other than political committees, where the aggregate total from the contributor exceeds \$200 in a calendar year. In addition, 11 CFR §104.3(a)(2)(i)(B) requires a committee to report the total amount of unitemized contributions (see Line 11(a)(ii) of the Detailed Summary Page). If a committee wishes to disclose contributions regardless of the amount contributed, the committee must separate (on separate receipt schedules) those contributors requiring itemization from those who are not required to be itemized. 11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i) For future filings, please submit your reports in this order.

-On Schedule A supporting Line 18 you disclose transfers from your non-federal account which appear to be identical to the transfers disclosed on Schedule H3. Be advised that transfers from your non-federal account should only be disclosed on Schedule H3 supporting Line 18. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy.

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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