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Steven Anthony Bafundo, Treasurer
Connecticut Republican Federal Campaign
Committee
97 Elm Street Rear
Hartford, CT 06106

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Reference: Year End Report (7/1/01-12/31/01)

Dear Mr. Bafundo:

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:

-Line 21(a)(i) of the Detailed Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$30,629.22 in federal portion of shared federal/non-federal operating expenditures. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule H4, however, indicates the total to be \$117,804.52. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

-Line 21(a)(ii) of the Detailed Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$204,979.78 in non-federal portion of shared federal/non-federal operating expenditures. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule H4, however, indicates the total to be \$117,804.52. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

-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.

-The Detailed Summary Page, on Line 18 Column A of your report,

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discloses \$149,795.04 in transfers from the non-federal account for joint activity for the reporting period. However, the sum of the entries itemized on Schedule H4 discloses \$117,804.52 as the non-federal share for joint activity for the reporting period. While the non-federal account is permitted to transfer funds to the federal account for shared activity, 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 the transfers-in from the non-federal account.

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

-Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses \$600 in disbursements to your non-federal account "for deposit correction to state". You are advised that 11 CFR §102.5 prohibits a non-federal account from financing activity in connection with federal elections. Please provide clarifying information regarding these transactions including the date(s) when the original activity was conducted by the non-federal account. In addition, if any of the disbursements disclosed were made to influence the election or defeat of specific federal candidates, the disbursements should be allocated accordingly and disclosed as either in-kind contributions on Schedule B supporting Line 23, independent expenditures on Schedule E supporting Line 24, or as coordinated expenditures on Schedule F supporting Line 25. 11 CFR §§104.3(b)(3) and 106.1

Although the Commission may initiate legal action regarding the activities conducted by your non-federal account, any clarifying information that you can provide will be taken into consideration.

-Please clarify all expenditures made for "Radio Advertisement" on Schedule(s) B. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B, E, or F supporting Lines 23, 24, or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

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-It appears your committee has received contributions from individuals which have been incorrectly reported on Schedule A supporting Line 15 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please clarify the nature of the transactions listed on Schedule A for Line 15. Be advised, contributions from individuals should be reported on Line 11(a).

- Schedule H2 discloses 100% federal activity. Please be advised that by definition, this activity does not qualify as a shared expense to be allocated between your federal and non-federal accounts. This activity should be itemized on a Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Any reimbursement from your committee's non-federal account for any portion of this activity is not permissible and must be returned. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy.

A 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. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designation and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



Brandy Phillips
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

**SCHEDULE B (FEC Form 3X)
ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS**

Use separate schedule(s)
for each category of the
Detailed Summary Page

FOR LINE NUMBER:
(check only one)

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
Connecticut Republican SCC

A. Holiday Inn/Bridgeport

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)
Holiday Inn/Bridgeport

Date of Disbursement
11 / 01 / 2001

Mailing Address
1070 Main St

City State Zip Code
Bridgeport CT 06604

Purpose of Disbursement
Fundraiser Venue

Candidate Name

Category Type

Office Sought: House Senate President
Disbursement For: 2001
Primary General Other (specify) ▼

State: District:

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period
1500.00

Transaction ID: 112051

B. Holiday Inn/Bridgeport

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)
Holiday Inn/Bridgeport

Date of Disbursement
11 / 08 / 2001

Mailing Address
1070 Main St

City State Zip Code
Bridgeport CT 06604

Purpose of Disbursement
Fundraiser Venue

Candidate Name

Category Type

Office Sought: House Senate President
Disbursement For: 2001
Primary General Other (specify) ▼

State: District:

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period
427.28

Transaction ID: 112057

C. Connecticut Republican SCC

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)
Connecticut Republican SCC

Date of Disbursement
08 / 17 / 2001

Mailing Address
97 Elm Street Rear

City State Zip Code
Hartford CT 06108

Purpose of Disbursement
Dep Connection To State

Candidate Name

Category Type

Office Sought: House Senate President
Disbursement For: 2001
Primary General Other (specify) ▼

State: District:

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period
600.00

Transaction ID: 109801

SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional) 2527.28

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only) 23258.56

