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MARK MANGIONE, TREASURER MICHIGAN PIPE TRADE ASSOCIATION INDEPENDENT EXEPENDITURE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (MPAC 1008 O'MALLEY DRIVE COOPERSVILLE, MI 49404

Response Due Date 03/07/2014

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00555094

REFERENCE: STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following <u>1</u> item(s):

- A review of your Statement of Organization indicates that your committee may be an independent expenditure committee. Please be advised that in Advisory Opinions 2010-09 and 2010-11, the Commission concluded that a political committee may solicit and accept unlimited contributions from individuals, political committees, corporations and labor organizations for the purpose of making independent expenditures, provided that the committee does not make any monetary or in-kind contributions (including coordinated communications) to federal candidates or committees. If your committee was formed solely to make independent expenditures, please amend your Statement of Organization to include a statement clarifying this. An example of this statement can be found in Attachment A of Advisory Opinions 2010-09 and 2010-11 (a letter template i s available a t http://www.fec.gov/pdf/forms/ie only letter.pdf).

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to

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taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations 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 should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1177.

Sincerely,

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Brian Jones Senior Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division

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