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We are responding to your letter dated July 5, 2017.

RFAI regarding Post-General Report Filed on 4/13/2017

1. Increase in Disbursements

Approximately \$3,495,401 of the increase comprise operating expenditures paid almost entirely to canvassing vendors for administrative costs unassociated with direct voter contact, and not independent expenditures. During 2016, the Committee undertook canvassing that included independent expenditures in multiple states, using multiple canvassing vendors. Payments to canvassing vendors such as Paychex, For Our Future Action Fund (?FOFAF?), Fieldworks, Grassroots Campaigns, Inc., and others were divided into independent expenditures, non-federal campaigning and administrative costs not directly associated with voter contact (such as recruitment and hiring, training, transportation, etc.). The independent expenditures were calculated and reported on 24/48-hour reports (estimates) and on Schedule E (actuals); administrative and nonfederal costs were reported on Lines 21(b) and 29.

In order to calculate estimates and actuals for direct voter contact, the Committee communicated with state operations and field staff and, weekly Monday-Sunday, consistently reported best-effort estimates of the expenditures on 24- and 48-hour reports (the ?canvassing estimates?), which would generally be first reported on Wednesday during the 48-hour reporting periods (so, within 48 hours of Monday, the earliest dissemination day).

Then, on the periodic reports, FOF made best efforts to disclose actual figures (the ?canvassing actuals?), following a reconciliation process. The reconciliation process for calculating actuals took into account the actual amount of staff and vendor employee canvassing that took place, due to the impact of weather, transportation, changed political judgments, unforeseen problems, and other factors. Due to the accounting complexity of the Committee?s election operations, the reconciliation period for the original Post-General Report was still underway at the time of filing. Many independent expenditures were instead reported on that report as estimated memo items, and the Committee was unable to report the actual figures for the operating expenditure portion of the payments to these vendors, which included Extras Extras, Fieldworks, For Our Future Action Fund (FOFAF), Grassroots Campaigns (GCI), GRSG and Paychex.

Most of the additions to Schedule E disbursements resulted from converting estimated independent expenditures (canvassing and digital communications), which appeared on the original Post-General Report as memo entries (and therefore did not contribute to the cash totals on the summary page), to actual payments amounting to \$3,404,749, following extensive accounting efforts. For example, the Committee estimated \$386,187.51 in ?Estimated Costs for Canvassing Services? for one vendor, FOFAF, in memo entries on the original report, and as amended in January the actual total disbursements were less, \$277,651.80.

Separately, a total of \$370,333.33 was added to Schedule E in the amended reports to account for ?Actual Cost for Canvassing Services from 10/20-10/23? involving four vendors (FOFAF, GCI, GRSG, and Paychex) due to recalculations prompted by the timing of the pre-general and post-general reporting periods. Estimated amounts were first reported in the 48-hour report filed on October 19 covered October 17-23, the Committee?s internal, Monday-Sunday reporting period for canvassing estimates. The Committee subsequently divided these costs between October 17-19 and October 20-23, which fell in the respective successive reporting periods. The Pre-General Report accurately reported the actual costs for October 17-19, but they were misattributed to the entire seven days. For example, the Committee reported in the original Pre-General Report an expenditure of \$3,751.16 for ?Actual Cost for Canvassing Services from 10/17-10/23?

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Extra Extras on page 196, with a dissemination date of October 17. However, this figure actually represented October 17-19. The Committee amended page 198 of the Pre-General Report on December 8 to correct this. The \$370,333.33 represents the actualized canvassing costs for these four vendors for October 20-23, during the Post-General Period.

The Committee paid \$193,453.96 to canvassing vendors FOFAF and Paychex for some services from October 3 to 19, during the pre-general reporting period. This was timely and accurately reported on the original Pre-General Report as ?Actual Cost for Canvassing Services from 10/17-10/23? (Paychex and FOFAF), ?Actual Cost for Canvassing Services for 10/3-10/9? (FOFAF only), and ?Actual Cost for Canvassing Services for 10/10-10/16? (for FOFAF), but the payments were not in fact executed until the post-general reporting period.

2. League of Conservation Voters Action Fund

The Committee?s \$550,000 and \$100,000 contributions on November 1 and 4, respectively, were inadvertently misidentified as made to the League of Conservation Voters Action Fund, rather than to the New American Jobs Fund, another political committee that has reported its receipt of these contributions. The Committee is amending its report accordingly.

3. Missing 24-Hour Report (Schedule E)

The Committee reported two independent expenditures to Fieldworks LLC on 24-hour reports based on information available at the time, but has since determined that these expenditures did not occur; the Committee is amending its report accordingly.

The Committee reported two estimated costs of \$4,999.85 to Print and Mail Communications LLC on its November 4 24-hour report (pages 4 and 5). Those expenditures were included on the original Post-General Report, in addition to the \$120.79 and \$120.80 expenditures at issue, the information about which was not obtained until after the election. The Committee also inadvertently omitted late-identified postage and delivery expenses to ParkPress from 24-hour reports.

4a. Late 24-Hour Report (Schedule E)

The Committee did not have accurate estimates for the listed independent expenditures in time to file timely 24-hour reports, and reported them promptly, and before the election, as soon as the information became available.

4b. Missing Schedule E (24-Hour Report)

The Committee reported five independent expenditures to Centaur North Strategies and AFSCME Special Account on 24-hour reports that were scheduled to but in fact did not subsequently occur. The Committee accordingly omitted them from Schedule E.

The two independent expenditures to Mark Lee were in fact made to a different vendor, Hilltop Solutions; Mark Lee was its subvendor. These expenditures are disclosed on the April 13 Amended Post-General Report on pages 444 and 437, as the ?Actual Cost for Advertising Design Services,? corresponding to the estimates misattributed to Mark Lee on the 24-hour report.

5. Mack Sumner Communications

It is unclear which Mack Sumner Communications (MSC) independent expenditures are at issue. The Committee?s November 6 24-hour report inadvertently misidentified MSC as the vendor rather than ParkPress, as now reported, for two independent expenditures of \$29,656.96 each whose actual costs were \$29,656.96 each, as now reported on pages 474 and 476 of the

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