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BIPARTISAN POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE / THE BANK of NEW YORK MELLON CORPORATION

The BANK of NEW YORK MELLON Corporation

February 6, 2009

Federal Election Commission 999 E. Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20463 Attention: Mr. Edward D. Ryan

Dear Mr. Ryan:

This is in response to your letter dated January 14, 2009 regarding our amended October Quarterly Report (7/1/08 – 9/30/08).

Corrective action has been taken regarding the excessive contributions received and reported on Schedule A for Jeffrey Landau totaling \$8,500.00 for 2008. A refund check has been issued to him in the amount of \$3,500.00 dated 2/2/09. Enclosed is a copy of that check along with a copy of the letter sent to him.

We have also submitted an amended report with memo entries indicating that the contributions to McConnell Senate Committee '08 and Richard E. Neal for Congress Committee were incorrectly designated for the 2008 Primary Election instead of the 2008 General Election.

We apologize for the errors and any inconvenience this may have caused.

Sincerely,

Hany E. alla Gary E. Abbs

Treasurer

**Enclosures** 

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## **BIPAC/BNYMC**

BIPARTISAN POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE / THE BANK of NEW YORK MELLON CORPORATION

February 2, 2009

Dear Mr. Landau:

Enclosed is a check from The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation BIPAC/BNYMC in the amount of \$3,500.00. This check represents a refund for contributions received from you in excess of \$5,000.00 for a calendar year.

The Federal Election Commission prohibits a committee and its affiliates from receiving any contributions from another political committee or person in excess of \$5,000.00 per calendar year.

As we previously discussed, your contribution check (#589) dated 12/10/07 in the amount of \$5,500.00 was deposited into the PAC on 1/4/2008. Your contribution check (#598) dated 6/16/08 in the amount of \$3,000.00 was deposited into the PAC on 7/11/2008. Therefore, your total contribution for 2008 was \$8,500.00. I understand that the \$5,500.00 was intended to be a contribution for calendar year 2007, and the \$3,000.00 a contribution for 2008.

I also understand that you were unaware of the limitations set forth by the Federal Election Commission. With the closing of the legacy Bank of New York PAC resulting from the merger and the transfer of responsibilities between the two organizations, this was an honest mistake that was not caught at the time of filing our reports.

My apologies for any confusion this may have caused. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

Michele Hafer

Assistant Treasurer

## BIPARTISAN POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON CORPORATION BIPAC BNYMC ONE MELLON BANK CENTER, ROOM 657 PITTSBURGH, PA 15258-0001 PAY TO THE ORDER OF Jeffrey D. Landau Three thousand five hundred and 00/100 - - - - - DOLLARS Mellon Mellon BANK NA FOR Refund of 2008 Excess Contribution

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