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May 12, 1998

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Federal Election Commission
Reports Analysis Division
ATTN: Alicia Richardson
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Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Ms. Richardson:

I represent the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America ("PhRMA") Better Government Committee (the "Committee"). This letter responds to the Commission notice referencing the failure of the Committee to timely file the April 15, 1998 Quarterly Report. Attached is a copy of the report with an original cover page. Also attached is an amended Statement of Organization referencing a change in the position of Treasurer.

The failure to timely file the report was an administrative oversight that resulted from the resignation of Ms. Joy Garrish, formerly Committee Treasurer and Treasurer of PhRMA. Although the report was prepared in draft prior to the filing deadline, it was not filed because Ms. Garrish departed on approximately the date the report was due. It was mistakenly assumed by PhRMA officials that the report had been filed by Ms. Garrish prior to her departure.

Likewise, her resignation from PhRMA, and the continued vacancy of the Treasurer position at PhRMA explains the slight delay in the appointment of a new Treasurer for the Committee. Historically, the PhRMA Treasurer has also served as the Committee Treasurer. However, because it does not appear that a replacement for Ms. Garrish will be found in the near future, Mr. Richard Buckley will assume the position of Treasurer effective immediately.

On behalf of the Committee, I regret any inconvenience this inadvertent error may have caused. In view of the unusual circumstances, and the limited activity which took place during the first quarter, I respectfully request that the Commission take no further action on this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me at the above number if you have any questions or require additional information. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Timothy W. Jenkins

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STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

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1. (a) NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL <input type="checkbox"/> (Check if name is changed) Pharmaceutical Research & Manufacturers of America Better Government Committee	2. DATE 5/12/98
(b) Number and Street Address <input type="checkbox"/> (Check if address is changed) 1100 15th Street, N.W., Suite 900	3. FEC Identification Number C00021972
(c) City, State and ZIP Code Washington, D.C. 20005	4. Is This Report An Amendment? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

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5. TYPE OF COMMITTEE (Check one)

- (a) This committee is a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)
- (b) This committee is an authorized committee, and is NOT a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)
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| Name of Candidate | Candidate Party Affiliation | Office Sought | State/District |
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- (c) This committee supports/opposes only one candidate _____ and is NOT an authorized committee.
(name of candidate)
- (d) This committee is a _____ committee of the _____ Party.
(National, State or subordinate) (Democratic, Republican, etc.)
- (e) This committee is a separate segregated fund.
- (f) This committee supports/opposes more than one Federal candidate and is NOT a separate segregated fund or a party committee.

6. Name of Any Connected Organization or Affiliated Committee	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Relationship

Type of Connected Organization

- Corporation Corporation w/o Capital Stock Labor Organization Membership Organization Trade Association Cooperative

7. Custodian of Records: Identify by name, address (phone number - optional) and position of the person in possession of committee books and records.

Full Name	Mailing Address	Title or Position
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8. Treasurer: List the name and address (phone number - optional) of the treasurer of the committee; and the name and address of any designated agent (e.g., assistant treasurer).

Full Name	Mailing Address	Title or Position
Richard Buckley	1100 15th Street, N.W., #900 Washington, D.C. 20005	Treasurer

9. Banks or Other Depositories: List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds.

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.	Mailing Address and ZIP Code
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I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER Richard Buckley	SIGNATURE OF TREASURER 	DATE 5/12/98
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