



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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September 27, 2001

Nicholas F. Moles, Treasurer
Tropicana Resort & Casino Political Action
Committee
3801 Las Vegas Boulevard (S)
Las Vegas, NV 89109

Identification Number: C00331082

Reference: Year End (7/1/99-12/31/99) and 30 Day Post-General (10/19/00-11/27/00)
Reports

Dear Mr. Moles:

This letter is to inform you that as of September 26, 2001 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated September 5, 2001. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by October 17, 2001. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. 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 taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Julie Perry on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosures



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Nicholas F. Moles, Treasurer
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3801 Las Vegas Boulevard (S)
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Identification Number: C00331082

Reference: Year End Report (7/1/99-12/31/99)

Dear Mr. Moles:

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:

-The totals listed on Lines 11(a)(i) and 11(a)(ii), Column B of the Detailed Summary Page appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This-Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. When an individual's aggregate exceeds the \$200 threshold, the amount should not be deducted from the Column B figure for Line 11(a)(ii). Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Line 11(a)(i) of the Detailed Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$9,200.00 in contributions from individuals. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule A, however, indicates the total to be \$7,180. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

-Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) of your report discloses contributions received through what appears to be a payroll deduction plan. Please amend your report to disclose the amount deducted per pay period. 11 CFR §104.8(b) Please refer to the enclosed sample of properly reported payroll deductions.

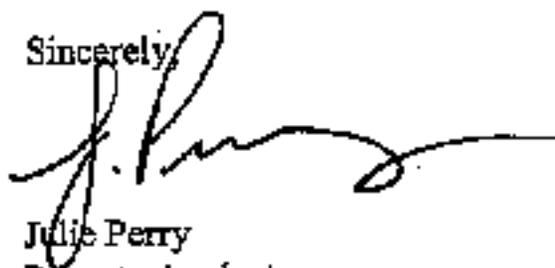
-For your information, each category on the Detailed Summary Page for

which your committee discloses activity must have a separate schedule. Please note this for future filings.

-Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 23 by providing the office sought (House, Senate, or President), state, and congressional district (if applicable) for each contribution made. 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3)(ii) and (v)

A written 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. 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,



Julie Perry
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

SCHEDULE A		ITEMIZED RECEIPTS	
Contributions from Individuals <small>Any information copied from such Reports and Statements may not be used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.</small>			
NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) National Organization PAC 000000001			
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Anna Sullivan 21 18th Street City, State ZIP	Name of Employer National Organization, Inc. Occupation Branch Manager Appraisal Year-to-Date > 1	Date Rec'd (M, Y, Day) payroll deduction 288.00	Amount of Each Payment (M, Y, Day) \$90.00 (\$15 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Demand			
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Rodney Jones 881 Hainsbury Road City, State ZIP	Name of Employer National Organization, Inc. Occupation Vice President Appraisal Year-to-Date > 5	Date Rec'd (M, Y, Day) payroll deduction 360.00	Amount of Each Payment (M, Y, Day) \$120.00 (\$20 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Demand			

Itemize payroll deductions only after they have exceeded \$200 per calendar year from an individual.

Payroll Deductions

Once an individual's deductions aggregate over \$200 in a calendar year, report the total amount deducted from the donor's paychecks during the reporting period on Schedule A. In parentheses indicate the amount that was deducted each pay period. Instead of stating a specific date of receipt, write "payroll deduction" under "Date." The other itemized information, including the year-to-date total, must be completed for each donor. 104.8(b).

EXAMPLE: During an election year, a corporate manager authorizes her employer to deduct \$15 per pay period (each pay period is two weeks) for the company's SSF. The SSF, which files FEC reports on a quarterly schedule, includes the manager's first-quarter contributions (\$90 for six pay periods) as "unitemized contributions" on Line 11(a)(1) in the April quarterly report.

By June 30 (the closing date for the July quarterly report), 13 pay periods have passed, and the manager's aggregate contributions are \$195—still below the \$200 itemization threshold. The manager's second-quarter contributions again are included in "unitemized contributions" in the July report.

By September 30 (the closing date for the October quarterly report), 19 pay periods have passed, and the manager's contributions reach \$285. Now the committee itemizes the total contributions received from the manager during the third quarter (\$90), providing the year-to-date total in the appropriate space. (See item A in the illustration above.)

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) National Organization PAC 000000001			
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Martin L. Kress 4 River Road City, State ZIP	Name of Employer National Organization, Inc. Occupation Chairman Appraisal Year-to-Date > 1	Date Rec'd (M, Y, Day) 8/18/84 3,988.00	Amount of Each Payment (M, Y, Day) \$3,988.00 (IN-KIND) (RAFFLE PRIZE)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Demand			

SCHEDULE B		ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS	
Operating Expenditures/Other Federal <small>Any information copied from such Reports and Statements may not be used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.</small>			
NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) National Organization PAC 000000001			
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Martin L. Kress 4 River Road City, State ZIP	Purpose of Disbursement raffle prizes Disbursement (M, Y, Day) <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Demand (Other report)	Date Rec'd (M, Y, Day) 8/19/84 (IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION) \$3,988.00	Amount of Each Disbursement (M, Y, Day)

Itemize in-kind contributions on both Schedules A and B so as not to inflate the cash-on-hand amount.

In-Kind Contributions

When determining whether to itemize an in-kind contribution, follow the same guidelines listed above under "When to Itemize Receipts." See page 8 for information on how to determine the dollar value of an in-kind contribution.

In addition, add the value of the in-kind contribution to the operating expenditures total on Line 21(b) (in order to avoid inflating the cash-on-hand amount). 104.13(a)(2).

If the in-kind contribution must be itemized on Schedule A, then it must also be itemized on a Schedule B for operating expenditures. See the illustration at left.