FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Michael J. Murphy, Treasurer
Engineers Political Education Committee
(EPEC)/International Union of Operating Engineers
1125 17th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

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Identification Number: C00029504

Reference: Year End Report (12/1/95-12/31/95)

Dear Mr. Murphy:

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:

-Records at the Commission indicate that your committee and your affiliates may have made contributions which exceed the limits set forth in the Act (pertinent portions attached). 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) precludes a multicandidate committee and its affiliates from making a contribution to a national political party in excess of $15,000 in a calendar year.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an excessive contribution, you should notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of $15,000. In the best interest of your committee, all refunds should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the excessive contribution(s), prompt action in obtaining a refund will be taken into consideration.

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. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

J.P. Andre'
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
ENGINEERS POLITICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE-IPEC
INT'L. UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS

FEC ID No. C 000 29504

	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Barney Frank for Congress Post Office Box 260 Newton, MA 02160	MA -4thCD (D) Disbursement for: [ ] Primary [ ] General [X] Other (specify) 1996	12-12-95	1000.00
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Citizens for John Olver for congress Post Office Box 819 Amherst, MA 01004	MA - 1st CD (D) Disbursement for: [X] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify) 1996	12-12-95	2500.00
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Peterson for Congress Post Office Box 265 Detriot Lakes, MN 56502	MN 7thCD (D) Disbursement for: [X] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify) 1996	12-05-95	1000.00
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Luther for Congress Volunteer Committee 1399 Geneva Ave, N. #103 Oakdale, MN	MN 6thCD (D) Disbursement for: [X] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify) 1996	12-19-95	500.00
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Minge for Congress Post Office Box 721 Granite Falls, MN 56241	MN 2ndCD (D) Disbursement for: [X] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify) 1996	12-20-95	500.00
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Democratic National Comm. 430 South Capitol Street Washington, DC 20003	Purpose of Disbursement federal account Disbursement for: [ ] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify)	12-12-95	15000.00
G. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: [ ] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
H. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: [ ] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) International Union of Operating Engineers Local 68 Political Action Committee

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Democratic National Committee 430 So.Capitol St. S.E. Washington, DC 20003	Contribution Disbursement for: [ ] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify)	1/16/95	10,000.00
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Menendez for Congress P.O. Box 848 Union City, NJ 07087	Contribution Disbursement for: [X] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify)	4/26/95	2,500.00
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Payne For Congress 877 Broad Street Newark, NJ 07102	Contribution Disbursement for: [X] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify)	5/4/95	5,000.00
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Torricelli Legal Fund 601 Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, DC 20004	Contribution Disbursement for: [ ] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify)	6/26/95	5,000.00
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: [ ] Primary [ ] General [ ] Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
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