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IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00519355

Response Due Date 01/24/2013

REFERENCE: AMENDED OCTOBER QUARTERLY REPORT (07/01/2012 - 09/30/2012), RECEIVED 10/16/2012

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following $\underline{7}$ item(s):

1. The beginning cash balance of this report does not equal the ending balance of your 2012 July Quarterly Report. Please correct this discrepancy and amend all subsequent reports that may be affected by the correction. (2 U.S.C. 434(b)(1) and 11 CFR § 104.3(a)(1))

2. The totals listed on Line(s) 6(a), 6(c), 7(a), 7(c), 11(a)(iii), 11(b), 11(c), 11(d), 11(e), 16, 17, 20(a), 20(b), and 22, Column B of the Summary and Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Column B figures for the Summary and Detailed Summary Pages should equal the sum of the Column B figures on your previous report and the Column A figures on this report. Please file an amendment to your report to correct the Column B discrepancies for this report and all subsequent report(s) which may be affected by this correction. Note that Column B should reflect only the election cycle-to-date totals (11/3/2010 through 11/6/2012). (2 U.S.C. § 434(b) and 11 CFR § 104.3)

3. Commission Regulations require that a committee discloses the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in an election cycle. (11 CFR § 104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name (initials for first or last name are not acceptable), complete mailing address, occupation, and name of employer. (11 CFR § 100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

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The following employer and occupation entries appear on your report and are not considered acceptable: "Information Requested/Information Requested," "US Dept of Agriculture/Information Requested," and "M&M DEVELOPMENT LLC/Information Requested."

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(1)) See 11 CFR § 104.7(b)(1)(B) for examples of acceptable statements regarding the requirements of federal law.

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2)) The requests must:

• clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution;

• inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and

• if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you should either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(4))

Please amend your report to provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

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4. Commission Regulations require the continuous reporting of all outstanding debts. This report omits debts itemized on your previous report(s). (11 CFR §§ 104.3(d) and 104.11) Please file an amendment to your report to disclose the current status of these omitted debts: "Durso, Samuel A Mr.," "ensight grfx Printing," "Kennedy Communications Inc," "Lakew, Mabeyin," and "Semper - Alexander, Inc.," and "BW."

5. Your report discloses a debt owed to "political Development Group, LLC" with an outstanding beginning balance of 3,168.19. The previous report filed by your committee discloses a closing balance of 3,412.00. These amounts should be the same. Please correct this discrepancy and file an amendment to your report(s). (2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(8) and 11 CFR § 104.11)

6. Schedule C of your report fails to include information required by Commission regulations. With every report submitted, you must provide the date incurred, the original source and amount of the loan, the due date, the interest rate, the cumulative payment, and the outstanding balance. In addition, if there are any endorsers or guarantors, their mailing address, along with the name of their employer and occupation, must be disclosed. Please amend your report to include the due date for the following loan(s): "Payne, Donald M Mr. Jr." (11 CFR §§ 100.52(a), 100.52(b) and 104.3(d))

7. When a committee reports receiving a loan from the candidate, it is necessary to clarify whether or not the candidate used personal funds or borrowed the money from a lending institution or some other source. Please amend your report to indicate whether the loan is from the candidate's personal funds or if he/she obtained the loan from a bank loan, brokerage account, credit card, home equity line of credit, or other line of credit.

If the candidate loan was obtained from a lending institution, you must also file a Schedule C-1 with the Commission, providing the name of the lending institution and the complete terms of the loan between the candidate and the lending institution. Schedule C-1 can be downloaded from the FEC website at http://www.fec.gov, or requested through the FEC Faxline at (202) 501-3413. Electronic filers must submit the Schedule C-1 electronically.

If the loan(s) was from personal funds, please acknowledge that fact in an amendment to this report. It is important to note that "personal funds" is strictly defined by Commission Regulations. See 11 CFR §100.33.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due

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date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. 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. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1393.

Sincerely,

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