



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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March 31, 2010

Jeff Scates, Treasurer
Illinois Corn Growers Association Political
Involvement Fund-Federal
P.O. Box 1623
Bloomington, IL 61702

Response Due Date:
May 5, 2010

Identification Number: C00376590

Reference: Amended Statement of Organization, received 3/9/10

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 item:

-A review of your Amended Statement of Organization (FEC Form 1), received 3/9/10, appears to suggest that your committee is affiliated with the separate segregated fund of the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA). The Commission notes your response that: "The National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) is a membership organization with 28 affiliated state associations; thus it would be the parent organization. Members in the Illinois Corn Growers Association (ICGA) are also members of the NCGA because a portion of their dues are paid to NCGA. The NCGA has a separate segregated fund, and the Illinois Corn Growers Association has [its] own separate segregated fund. Not all state associations have a separate segregated fund. ICGA can only make contributions to Illinois congressional representatives and senators, while NCGA can contribute to candidates from various states."

You have listed the NCGA as a connected organization rather than listing this organization's separate segregated fund(s), "National Corn Growers Association PAC (CORNPAC)", as an affiliated committee(s). All committees (including a separate segregated fund) established, financed, maintained or controlled by the same corporation, labor organization, membership organization, person, or group of persons including any parent, subsidiary, branch division, department, or local unit thereof, are affiliated.

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Please note that your affiliation with CORNPAC, a national committee, will also result in affiliation with the state committees of CORNPAC. If your committee is affiliated with CORNPAC, it should list CORNPAC as an "Affiliate" and should not list NCGA as a connected organization. Please provide information explaining why your committee is or is not affiliated with CORNPAC. For further guidance on the question of affiliation, please refer to 11 CFR §100.5(g) and §110.3. If your committee is affiliated with the above referenced committee(s), please file an amended Statement of Organization listing said committee(s) as an affiliated committee on Line 6. 11 CFR §102.2

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 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) 694-1139.

Sincerely,



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Reports Analysis Division