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MISSISSIPPI REPUBLICAN PARTY
P. O. BOX 60
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Response Due Date
10/15/2015

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00084368

REFERENCE: AUGUST MONTHLY REPORT (07/01/2015 - 07/31/2015)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report 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 5 item(s):

1. The totals listed on Line(s) 6(c), 7, 11(a)(ii), 11(a)(iii), 11(d), 19, 20, 30(b), 30(c), 31 and 32, 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 Calendar Year-to-Date totals. (52 U.S.C. §30104(b) (formerly 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)))
2. Your calculations for Line 8 appear to be incorrect. Cash on hand at the close of the current reporting period should always equal the closing calendar year to date cash on hand amount. Please provide the corrected total on the Summary Page. (52 U.S.C. §30104(b) (formerly 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)))
3. Your report discloses debts with outstanding beginning balances that do not equal the corresponding closing balances of your previous report (see attached). These amounts should be the same. Please correct these discrepancies and file an amendment to your report(s). (52 U.S.C. §30104(b)(8) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(8)) and 11 CFR §104.11)
4. On Schedule H1 of your report, you have checked an incorrect fixed

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percentage for your allocated federal and non-federal administrative, generic voter drive and exempt activity costs. The fixed percentage for these costs is based on whether a Presidential and/or a Senate candidate appear on the State's ballot. Please amend your report to include a corrected Schedule H1 and note that a change in this ratio may make it necessary to repay your non-federal account for any overpayments that may have been made. While the Commission may take further legal action concerning any impermissible overpayments by the non-federal account, your prompt action will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §106.7(d)(2) and (3))

5. Schedule H4 discloses payments made to credit card companies for shared federal and non-federal activity. Please be advised that these payments must identify as memo entries, the original vendors from which you have purchased an item or service regardless of the amount. Please amend your report by providing the name and mailing address of the original vendor, along with the date, amount and purpose of each expenditure and clearly identify on the Schedule H4, which credit card payment each memo entry relates to. (11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17)

- Schedule H4 discloses activity which is paid for with 100% federal funds. For future filings, please be advised that any activity which is financed entirely by the federal account (including administrative expenses), should be reported on Schedule B supporting Line 21(b). Any activity which is 100% non-federal and permissibly financed entirely by the non-federal account, should not be disclosed on the FEC Form 3X (11 CFR §104.17)

For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, state, district and local party committees that make expenditures and disbursements in connection with both federal and non-federal elections for activities that are not federal election activities pursuant to 11 CFR §100.24 may use only funds subject to the prohibitions and limitations of the Act, or they may allocate such expenditures and disbursements between their federal and their non-federal accounts. (11 CFR §106.7(b))

State, district and local party committees may pay administrative, generic voter drive and exempt activity expenses from their federal account, or allocate between their federal and non-federal accounts according to a fixed percentage selected on FEC Schedule H1, except for activity directly attributable to a clearly identified candidate. Such expenses must be paid from the federal account only. (11 CFR §106.7(c)(2))

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Schedule H2 is used by all political committees to report the allocation ratios of their joint federal and non-federal fundraising events and direct candidate support programs. Schedule H2 is filed with each report that discloses a disbursement for allocated activity. Schedule H3 is used by all political committees to report transfers received by the federal account from the non-federal account(s) to pay the non-federal share of allocable expenses.

Any expenditures made on behalf of both federal and non-federal candidates (including in-kind contributions, independent expenditures and coordinated expenditures) must be allocated between your committee's federal and non-federal accounts. Schedule H4 is used by all political committees to report payments for allocable expenses. (11 CFR §106.1(a))

For your next filing, please refer to the instructions for each line and schedule when determining the proper categorization(s).

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) 694-1157.

Sincerely,



Laura Sinram
Sr. Campaign Finance & Reviewing Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

Debts with Balance Discrepancies
Mississippi Republican Party (C00084368)

Name	Closing Balance [Previous Report]	Opening Balance [Current Report]
First Bankcard	\$11,006.71	\$16,959.11
First Bankcard	\$4,399.23	-\$1,553.17