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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

June 21, 2006

Robert Keogh, Treasurer
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(MERCK PAC)
601 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
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Washington, DC 20004

Response Due Date:
July 24, 2006

Identification Number: C00097485

Reference: Amended Statement of Organization, received 6/06/06

Dear Mr. Keogh:

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. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-The entire name of your connected organization, "Merk & Co., Inc.", must be included in the name of your political committee. While committees may use commonly recognized abbreviations on daily communications such as letterhead and committee checks, committee filings (Statement of Organization, disclosure reports and amendments) must reflect the official name of the connected organization, as well as any abbreviation, within its title. 2 U.S.C. §432(e)(5) Please clarify this apparent discrepancy.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. 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.

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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) 694-1133.

Sincerely,

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