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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Robert David Parker, Treasurer
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P.O. Box 33006
Detroit, MI 48232

Identification Number: C00166926

Reference: July Quarterly Report (4/1/00-6/30/00)

Dear Mr. Parker:

This letter is to inform you that as of December 6, 2000 the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated November 15, 2000. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by December 27, 2000. 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.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Andrea Wilkens on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosure



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Dear Mr. Parker:

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:

-The total listed on Line 23, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page appears to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 23 by providing the office sought, including state and congressional district, if applicable, for each contribution made. 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3)(ii) and (v)

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 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Andrea Wilkens

Andrea Wilkens
Senior Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry, no matter how small, should be recorded to ensure the integrity of the financial statements. This includes not only sales and purchases but also expenses, income, and transfers between accounts.

Next, the document outlines the process of reconciling bank statements with the company's records. This involves comparing the bank's record of transactions with the company's ledger to identify any discrepancies. Common reasons for differences include timing differences, such as deposits in transit or outstanding checks, and errors in recording or omission of transactions.

The document then provides a detailed explanation of the accounting cycle, which consists of eight steps: 1) identifying and analyzing transactions, 2) journalizing, 3) posting to the ledger, 4) preparing a trial balance, 5) adjusting entries, 6) preparing financial statements, 7) closing the books, and 8) reversing entries. Each step is described in detail, including the necessary journal entries and ledger postings.

Finally, the document discusses the importance of internal controls to prevent fraud and errors. It suggests implementing a system of checks and balances, such as requiring two people to authorize transactions, separating duties, and conducting regular audits. The document concludes by stating that a strong internal control system is essential for the success of any business.