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October 29, 2004

Federal Election Commission
Attn: Abbie Hodgson, Campaign Finance Analyst

Id Number: C00025254

Re: August Monthly Report (7/1/04-7/31/04)

This letter is in reponse to your letter dated September 29, 2004 referencing the report mentioned above.

We comply with all of the requirements of the three-fold process for establishing best efforts in obtaining employer and occupation information from our contributors. Please refer to our amendment number 2 for this period, it contains some of the data missing from the original report.

All of the contributions from the Minnesota Department of Finance are State Tax Checkoff Funds.

All of the receipts from Candidate Committees reported on line 11(c) of our report are contributions and the receipts reported on line 17 are excess funds transfers. I have included this information in the note field of the transaction but it is not appearing on the report. If these notes are required to appear on the report I will have to ask our software company to correct this.

Your letter asks about several transactions reported on Line 21(b). The College Dem Banner and the DFL Ad in the Union Guide are both generic and do not mention a federal candidate. Business Reply Postage is Office Postage. The Kerry/Edwards banner was purchased for use by the DFL Party and does not meet the definition of public communication.

The disbursements reported on Schedule H4 for National Convention Expenses are all to pay for staff transportation and staff lodging.

The disbursement made for Voter File Hosting is a monthly administrative expense for web hosting of data.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Mary Bonk
Comptroller
Minnesota Democratic Farmer Labor Party