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Nicholas Ebinger
Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

Re: Letter RQ-2

Dear Mr. Ebinger:

In reference to your letter of August 7, 2002, we have worked with our software company (Aristotle) to fix the problems with the HI and credit cards not reporting correctly. These issues resulted from our changing to direct filing. I am sending an amended report showing the correction. Included in the amended report is clarification on the expenses marked consulting.

We would like to ask that you please notify us of your questions concerning our report on a more timely basis. It would seem that we should be getting questions on our January-March report in April or May at the latest. Would you please check into this and see if anything can be done.

Sincerely,

Marcus Vaden
Treasurer



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Marcus Vaden, Treasurer
Democratic Party of Arkansas
1300 West Capitol Avenue
Little Rock, AR 72201

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Reference: April Quarterly Report (1/1/02-3/31/02)

Dear Mr. Vaden:

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:

-Your report includes multiple Schedules H1, with varying ballot composition ratios. Please amend your report to provide only one Schedule H1. Schedule H1 must be filed with the first report each year for National, State and Local party committees, and with the first report filed in the two-year election cycle for Separate Segregated Funds and Non-connected committees. All shared administrative and generic voter drive costs incurred during the two-year cycle must be allocated according to this ratio, unless the federal account elects to pay a higher percentage of its cost. 11 CFR §106.5(b)(2), (d)(1), (d)(2) and 11 CFR §§104.10(b)(1)(ii)(B) and 106.6(c)

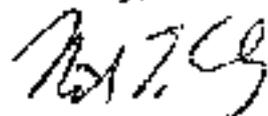
-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule(s) H4 of your report to clarify the following description(s): "consulting" and "consulting fees". For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-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. 11 CFR §104.10.

A response or 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. 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 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,



Nicholas T. Ebinger
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

Federal Election Commission

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