



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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April 3, 2003

Margaret Conway, Treasurer
Sierra Club Political Committee
408 C Street NE
Washington, DC 20002

Identification Number: C00135368

Reference: Year End Report (11/26/02-12/31/02)

Dear Ms. Conway:

On March 12, 2003, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your April 2, 2003 response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the 2002 General election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (pertinent portion(s) attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign.

If any apparently impermissible contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

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If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses contributions to Richard Romero for Congress, David G. Thomas, Luther for Congress, Wofford for Congress, and Conway for Congress; however you have disclosed "Camilla Feibelman", "Heleson, Monique", "Kimbirauskas, Kendra", "Lorraine Press", "Seligman, Dan", and "Simmons, Kate" in the payee fields. Please clarify whether this was an earmarked contribution(s) made by your committee through another committee to this candidate, or if you made the contribution to the political committee exercising no direction or control over how the funds were to be used. If the latter is the case, please do not include the candidate's name in the purpose of disbursement field. Please amend your report to clarify the ultimate recipient of this contribution(s).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by April 23, 2003. 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.

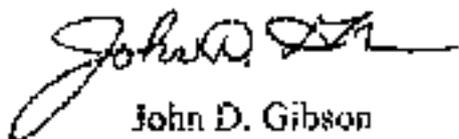
Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Jane Parks on our toll-free number (800)

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424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



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Assistant Staff Director
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