



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20541

RQ-3

December 26, 2002

Charles Hinrichs, Treasurer
Smurfit-Stone Container Corporation: FKA
Stone Container Corporation PAC
150 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60601

Identification Number: C00117424

Reference: July Monthly (6/1/02-6/30/02) and August Monthly (7/1/02-7/31/02)
Reports

Dear Mr. Hinrichs:

This letter is to inform you that as of December 26, 2002 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated December 4, 2002. These notices request 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 these requests (copies enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by January 15, 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 attended 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, please contact Christopher Morse 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

Enclosures



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20543

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Charles Hinrichs, Treasurer
Smurfit-Stone Container Corporation: FKA Stone
Container Corporation PAC
150 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60601

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Identification Number: C00117424

Reference: July Monthly Report (6/1/02-6/30/02)

Dear Mr. Hinrichs:

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:

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the 2002 Primary 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.

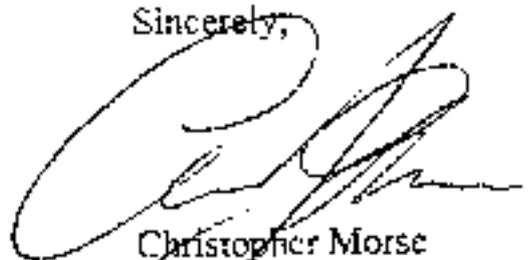
If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund.

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.

A 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. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designation 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,



Christopher Morse
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

**SCHEDULE B (FEC Form 3X)
ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS**

Use separate schedule(s) for each category of the Detailed Summary Page		FOR LINE NUMBER: (check only one)		PAGE 14 / 15	
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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
SMURFIT-STONE CONTAINER CORPORATION; FKA STONE CONTAINER CORPORATION PAC

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) A. CRAIG FOR U S SENATE		Date of Disbursement 06 / 15 / 2002	
Mailing Address 3004 Advantage Ct. City: Burke State: VA Zip Code: 22015		Amount of Each Disbursement this Period 1000.00	
Purpose of Disbursement Campaign Contribution		Category/Type <i>primary Date</i> <i>5/28/02</i>	
Candidate Name		Transaction ID: SB23.13685	
Office Sought: House <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Senate President	Disbursement For: 2002 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary General Other (specify) ▼		
State: ID District: 05			

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) B. FRIENDS OF DICK DURBIN COMMITTEE		Date of Disbursement 08 / 20 / 2002	
Mailing Address 101 W. Grand, Suite 200 City: Chicago State: IL Zip Code: 60610		Amount of Each Disbursement this Period 1000.00	
Purpose of Disbursement Campaign Contribution		Category/Type <i>primary Date</i> <i>3/19/02</i>	
Candidate Name		Transaction ID: SB23.13686	
Office Sought: House <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Senate President	Disbursement For: 2002 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary General Other (specify) ▼		
State: IL District: 00			

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) C. FRIENDS OF GEORGE ALLEN		Date of Disbursement 08 / 15 / 2002	
Mailing Address POST OFFICE BOX 573 City: RICHMOND State: VA Zip Code: 23218		Amount of Each Disbursement this Period 1000.00	
Purpose of Disbursement Campaign Contribution		Category/Type <i>primary Date</i> <i>6/11/02</i>	
Candidate Name		Transaction ID: SB23.13684	
Office Sought: House <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Senate President	Disbursement For: 2002 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary General Other (specify) ▼		
State: VA District: 00			

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