



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

RQ-2

November 4, 2005

Glen O'Connell, Treasurer
South Carolina Republican Party
1508 Lady Street
Columbia, SC 29201

**Response Due Date:
December 5, 2005**

Identification Number: C00034033

Reference: Amended May Monthly Report (4/01/05-4/30/05), received 6/15/05

Dear Mr. O'Connell:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedule H4 of your report discloses payments to "Advanced Video," "Branham Florist," "Centerplate," and "Morganellis," which are categorized as Administrative expenses; however, the purposes of disbursement disclosed are "general fund raising event/sound sy," "general fund raising event," "general fundraising event/flowers" "general fundraising event," and "party supplies/gen fndraising event." In addition, memo text filed with the report states that disbursements to Starboard Communication "were for direct mail for general fundraising efforts." Please be advised that payments made for your committee's fundraising activities must be allocated according to the funds received method and the ratio reflected on Schedule H2. Please amend your report to clarify the appropriate category for this activity or provide clarifying information regarding this apparent discrepancy.

-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): "bsn lunches," "general fundraising event," "general fund raising event," "reimb bsn lunches," and "reimb mileage, bsn lunch." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

6821930303

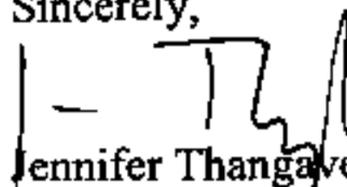
-Schedule H4 of your report discloses reimbursements to individuals for "reimb bsn lunches," "reimb office supplies," "office supplies," and "reimb mileage, bsn lunch." Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, payment to the original vendors must be itemized as memo entries regardless of amount. Each memo entry must include the name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information. 11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3

-Schedule H4 of your report discloses a reimbursement(s) to an individual(s) for apparent travel and subsistence advances in which the total amount reimbursed exceeds \$500. When the reimbursement amount to staff for travel and subsistence advances exceeds \$500, the payments by committee staff that make up the reimbursement have to be itemized as memo entries regardless of the amount. Each memo entry must include the complete name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and an adequate purpose. Please amend your report to include the missing information. 11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17, and Advisory Opinion 1996-20, footnote 3

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. 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 regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1143.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Thangavelu
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

25038021580

25038021581