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265 West 14th Street
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Dear Mr. Shaw:

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:

-Line 11(a)(ii) of the Detailed Summary Page discloses \$74,658.89 in unitemized receipts from individuals/persons other than political committees during the reporting period. Please clarify whether this figure includes any receipts from a single source that aggregate greater than \$200 in the calendar year. If this is the case, please amend your report(s) by itemizing the receipts on Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i). 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(2)(A) and (3)(A)

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses a contribution(s) to the National Police Defense, New Economy Political Committee, Rainforest Alliance, and Tenders Inc. Please clarify whether this is a federal committee(s), as there does not appear to be a committee(s) registered with the Commission under this name(s). In the event this is a non-federal committee(s), please disclose it on Schedule B supporting Line 29 of the Detailed Summary Page.

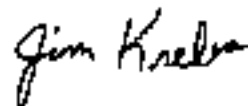
-Schedule B supporting Line 23 discloses contributions to federal candidates for which no election designation has been provided. Please note that if no designation is included in your report, the contributions will be attributed to the next upcoming election for the recipient candidate.

Thus, for future reporting purposes, it is in your committee's interest to designate the appropriate election in order to avoid the appearance of excessive contributions made to federal candidates by your committee.

-Your report disclosed certain categories of financial activity that have been reflected on the wrong lines of the Detailed Summary Page. Transfers to affiliated committees and operating expenditures such as bank fees should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule(s) B, supporting Line(s) 22 and 21(b) respectively, of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions contained on the forms to determine the proper categorization when preparing your next filing.

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. Electronic filers must file amendments 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,



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