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Gary L. Vest, Treasurer  
Caterpillar Tractor Co. Committee  
for Effective Government  
100 NE Adams Street  
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Reference: Year End Report (7/1/97-12/31/97)

Dear Mr. Vest:

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 6(a) of the Summary Page represents the total cash-on-hand as of January 1, 1997. This figure should be the same on all the reports covering the calendar year. Please amend your report to clarify the change made in Line 6(a).

-The beginning cash balance of this report should equal the ending balance of your Mid-Year Report. Please clarify this discrepancy and amend any subsequent report(s) that may be affected by this correction.

-The totals listed on Line 6(c) and 11(a)(ii), Column B of the Summary and Detailed Summary Pages appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B total. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

A written 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. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



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