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Dear Mr. Hill:

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:

-Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 23 by providing the office sought including state and congressional district, if applicable, for each contribution made. 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3)(ii) and (v)

-Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) discloses contributions received through a payroll deduction plan. Generally, a committee's report must identify each contribution from an individual which in the aggregate exceeds \$200 during the calendar year. (2 U.S.C. §434(b)) For your information, instead of separate itemization, a committee using a payroll deduction plan may disclose the aggregate amount of contributions received from the contributor through the payroll deduction plan during the reporting period; the identification of the individual where the contribution exceeds \$200 in the aggregate during the calendar year; and a statement of the amount deducted per pay period. 11 CFR §104.8(b)

-Your report disclosed certain categories of financial activity that have been

reflected on the wrong lines of the Detailed Summary Page. Operating expenditures and contributions to federal candidates should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule B, supporting Line 21(b) and 23 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. 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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