



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Scott E. Earnest, Treasurer
Newmont Mining Corp. Political
Action Committee
1700 Lincoln Street
Denver, CO 80203

Identification Number: C00206672

Reference: April Quarterly Report (1/1/97-3/31/97)

Dear Mr. Earnest:

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 of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) precludes a non-multicandidate political committee and its affiliates, from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$1,000 per election. Please refer to the Campaign Guide for information on how a committee qualifies for multicandidate status.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an excessive contribution, you should notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of \$1,000 and/or notify the recipient in writing of your redesignation of the contribution. In the best interest of your committee, all refunds and redesignations should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution(s).

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund 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 the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

-For your information, all contributions received that aggregate \$200 or less per individual for the calendar year should be reported on Line 11(a)(ii). Contributions received aggregating over \$200 per individual for the calendar year should be reported on Line 11(a)(i) and itemized on Schedule A.

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,



Melissa Hurd
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

SCHEDULE B

ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)

NEWMONT MINING CORPORATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Jim Gibbons for Congress P.O. Box 12938 Reno, NV 89510	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	1/8/97	1,000
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Friends for Harry Reid 245 2nd Street N.E. Washington DC 20002	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	1/8/97	2,000
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Craig for U.S. Senate P.O. Box 2754 Boise, ID 83701	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	3/11/97	1,000
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
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SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional)

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