

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20065

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Jules Mermelstein, Treasurer
Montgomery County Democratic Committee
- Federal Account
30 N. Airy Street
Nomistown, PA 19401

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Identification Number:

C00323253

Reference:

July Quarterly Report (4/1/02-6/30/02)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information centained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your report discloses a negative ending cash balance of \$1,272. This suggests that you have either overdrawn your account, made a mathematical error, or incurred a debt. If your committee has incurred a debt or obligation, please show a zero balance on Line 8 of the Summary Page and reflect the amount and the nature of the debt on Schedule D and Line 10. 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(8)

-Your report does not include a Schedule H1 to disclose the ratio for the allocation of administrative and generic voter drive costs. Schedule H1 must be filed with the first report each year for National, State and Local party committees, and with the first report filed in the two-year election cycle for Separate Segregated Funds and Non-connected committees. All shared administrative and generic voter drive costs incurred during the two-year cycle must be allocated according to this ratio, unless the federal account elects to pay a higher percentage of its cost. 11 CFR §106.5(b)(2), (d)(1), (d)(2) and 11 CFR §§104.10(b)(1)(ii)(B) and 106.6(c)

A 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. <u>Electronic filers must file amendments</u> (to include statements,

designation 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 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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Senior Campaign Finance Analyst

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