(This is a copy of the text of a mailgram sent to the committee listed below on January 6, 1997.)

H. Robert Bartell III, Treasurer 1996 Federal Independent Campaign Committee 201 North Wells Street, Suite 706 Chicago, IL 60606

Identification Number: C00262923

Reference: 30 Day Post-General Report (10/1/96-11/25/96)

Dear Mr. Bartell:

It has come to the attention of the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") that your committee may be in violation of 2 U.S.C. §434(a) for failing to file the above referenced Report of Receipts and Disbursements. You were previously notified of the due date for this report.

It is important that you file this report immediately with the Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463 (or with the Secretary of the Senate). A copy of the report or its relevant portions should also be filed with the Secretary of State or equivalent state officer. 11 CFR \$\$108.2, 108.3, 108.4

Although the Commission may initiate an audit or legal enforcement action concerning this matter, your prompt response and a letter of explanation will be taken into consideration.

If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Manzano on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530. Our local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

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