

July 28, 2010

Mr. Daniel T. Buckley
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: Amended Mid-Year Report (1/1/09 - 6/30/09), received 1/27/10
FEC ID# C00099259

Dear Mr. Buckley:

In response to your letter dated June 25, 2010 requesting additional information:

1. The payments reported on Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) for "income taxes" were not paid by credit card. As required by the Internal Revenue Service, a federal tax deposit with the bank must be made to pay federal income taxes. The vendor listed for the income taxes is SunTrust and represents the vendor to which the check was written. SunTrust forwards federal tax deposits to the Internal Revenue Service.
2. The date relating to the revised "MD-08" allocation ratio was 1/23/09. There wasn't an excessive non-federal transfer.
3. The payment(s) to "Public Opinion Strategies" for "polling" is correctly reported as an administrative overhead expenditure according to 11 CFR Sec. 106.4(d). The opinion poll results were not related to voter identification conducted within the Federal Election Activity timeframe and were for the use of the committee and not for any candidate.
4. The Committee assessed the usual and normal charge for the goods and/or services provided to the federal candidate whose payment(s) are reflected on Schedule H4 supporting line 21(a). The assessment for "staffing costs" was based on each person's current hourly pay rate plus 8% to cover taxes. There were a total of 7 different people with different hourly rates that provided a total of 73.5 hours of service. The copy charges were assessed at the same rate as if they were purchased from a local vendor - \$.05 per copy for black and white and \$.10 per copy for color copies.
5. The voided check to "Carlecia S. Collins" for "payroll-void ck 12/30" is dated 1/2/09 in the amount of \$511.56 and relates to a paycheck written to her on 12/30/08. The original paycheck to this employee was dated 12/30/08 and was reported on the Year End Report for 11/25/08-12/31/08 in the gross amount of \$619.34. The employee lost her net paycheck in the amount of \$511.56 in January 2009. Since the payroll tax portion of her gross paycheck dated in Dec. 2008 had already been withheld and sent to the IRS, it was only the net portion of her paycheck that was voided on 1/2/09 and subsequently replaced on 1/5/09.
6. The payments to "McLaughlin & Associates, Inc." and "War Room Logistics" for the purpose of "polling" have been amended to reflect these as Voter Drive activities instead of Administrative expenses.

Sincerely,

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