



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
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**Response Due Date**  
**09/06/2011**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00167015

REFERENCE: AMENDED 30 DAY POST-GENERAL REPORT (10/14/2010 -  
11/22/2010), RECEIVED 06/24/2011

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 1 item(s):

- Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of your report discloses a payment(s) for "Generic Literature non candidate specific." Please be advised that 11 CFR §100.24(b) defines as Federal Election Activity, Generic campaign activity conducted in connection with an election in which one or more candidates for Federal office appear on the ballot. In addition, 11 CFR §100.25 defines Generic campaign activity as a public communication that promotes or opposes a political party and does not promote or oppose a clearly identified Federal candidate or non-Federal candidate.

Furthermore, the costs for this type of Federal Election Activity must either be paid with federal funds or allocated between federal and Levin funds. It appears that you have allocated these costs between federal and non-federal funds. Any reimbursement from your committee's non-federal account for Federal Election Activity costs is not permissible and must be returned. 11 CFR §§300.32 and 300.33

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately or provide clarifying information regarding this activity. Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this apparent prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

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**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations 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 should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1147.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maureen Benitz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Maureen Benitz  
Sr. Campaign Finance & Reviewing Analyst  
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