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ACTION COMMITTEE (VERIZON PAC)
1300 I ST NW, STE 500 EAST
ATTN: TAYLOR CRAIG
WASHINGTON, DC 20005

Response Due Date
08/08/2018

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00186288

REFERENCE: MAY MONTHLY REPORT (04/01/2018 - 04/30/2018)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report 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 enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 1 item(s):

- Schedule B supporting Line 29 discloses a disbursement for "Fraudulent Check" totaling \$3,101.50. Additionally, Schedule A supporting Line 17 discloses a receipt for "Reversal of 4/23/18 Fraudulent Check" totaling \$3,101.50. This receipt and disbursement appear to be related to an apparent unauthorized use of Committee funds.

The Commission notes the memo text attached to your report stating:

"The entry on Schedule B, Line 29 with the payee name Todd L Bearden represents a fraudulent check resulting in the withdrawal of funds from the PAC's bank account. The withdrawal has been reversed by the PAC's bank, Wells Fargo. The reversal has been disclosed as a receipt from Wells Fargo on Schedule A, Line 17. Both Wells Fargo and the PAC are aware of this issue and are taking preventative steps."

Please provide further clarification regarding the fraudulent activity. Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this apparent improper use of Committee funds, any further clarifying information that you can provide will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §102.9, 102.15, and 104.3)


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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. For additional information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit the Reports Analysis Division's Frequently Asked Questions on the FEC website. 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) 694-1175.

Sincerely,



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