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Re: October Quarterly Report (7/1/2024 – 9/30/2024)

Dear Ms. Stilla:

This submission is in response to the Commission's letter dated December 3, 2024. This letter is in reference to the Friends of Sherrod Brown October Quarterly Report.

John Arnsperger, Donald Baker, Frederick Bidwell, Peggy Corn, Cynthia Demsey, William Falik, W. Thomas Farquhar, Jay Fikes, Michael Gire, Drew Gores, Gordon Keane, Thomas Keiser, Andrew Kline, Jonathan Landau, Cliff Lehman, Caroline Lentz, Heidi Lindelof, Lawrence Linden, David Logsdon, James Nadler, Richard Neal, Carol Neuman-DeVegvar, Brigitte Olsen, Michelle Schweitzer, Theodore Smith, Ted Stebbins, Joe Tabacco, Willard Tom, Carol Walters, Clifford Welles, and Jonathon Wise were identified by the committee as exceeding their cycle limits and the excessive portion of their contributions were refunded within 60 days of receipt. These refunds are reflected in the post-general Report filed on December 5, 2024.

Due to clerical error, Bradley Abelow was duplicated in the Committee's software and therefore not found to be excessive within 60 days of receipt. Upon receipt of the Commission's letter, Bradley Abelow was refunded the excessive portion of his contribution, and this refund will be reflected on the year-end report to be filed January 31, 2025.

The Committee recognizes Senate Future Fund (FEC ID: C00068353) and UA Progressive Action (FEC ID: C00403741) were not multicandidate committees at the time of their contributions. UA Progressive Action was refunded the excessive portion of their contribution within 60 days and that refund is reflected in the post-general report filed December 5, 2024. Upon receipt of the Commission's letter, Senate Future Fund was refunded the excessive portion of their contribution, and that refund will be reflected on the year-end report to be filed January 31, 2025.

The Committee understands that the refunds made to Blue Ridge Renewables, LLC, SB Development Initiatives, LLC, and Mary McLeod-Bethune Intervention and Enrichment Center were made outside of the 30-day window. As soon as the impermissible contributions were identified, the Committee took prompt action to refund the donors. Salisbury Town Committee responded with confirmation of permissible funds within 30 days of receipt. The \$500 contribution is permissible; thus no refund has been made to date.

Additionally, the Friends of Sherrod Brown statement of organization has been amended to include WA Senate Victory Fund and Senate Victory for Sherrod Brown 2024 as joint fundraising representatives.

We hope this letter addresses the request. The Committee takes its filing obligations seriously and makes every attempt to comply with the requirements. If you need any further information, please contact the committee.