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**Response Due Date**  
**07/19/2017**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00608489

REFERENCE: AMENDED YEAR-END REPORT (11/29/2016 - 12/31/2016), RECEIVED  
02/21/2017

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 an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 2 item(s):

1. Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 52 U.S.C. §30116(f) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §441a(f)) and 11 CFR §§110.1(d) and 110.2(d) prohibit a committee and its affiliates from receiving any contribution from another political committee or person in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year. However, Commission records indicate that your Committee maintains a Non-Contribution Account consistent with the stipulated judgment in Carey v. FEC.

If the apparently excessive contribution(s) in question was deposited into your Non-Contribution Account, please amend your report to disclose "Non-Contribution Account" in the description field or in memo text. For more information please reference the "Reporting Guidance for Political Committees that Maintain and Non-Contribution Account" at <http://www.fec.gov/pages/fecrecord/november2011/fecstatementcareyvfec.shtml>

If any contribution you received exceeds the limits, you may have to refund the excessive amount. The funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt, (1) the excessive amount was properly reattributed to another person, such as a joint account holder, by obtaining signed written authorizations from each person making the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR 110.1(k)(3), and (2) the treasurer informs the person making the contribution that he or she may request the return

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of the excessive portion of the contribution if it is not intended to be a joint contribution. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

Alternatively, the funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt you (1) transferred the excessive amount to an account not used to influence federal elections, and (2) provided written notice to the person making the contribution of the option of receiving a refund. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

If the foregoing conditions for reattributions or transfers to a non-federal account were not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for any transfer-out or refund. In addition, any reattributions should be reported as memo entries on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which the authorization for the reattribution is received. Any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the acceptance of an excessive contribution(s), prompt action by your committee to seek reattribution, transfer-out or refund the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedule E discloses Calendar Year-To-Date Per Election total(s) for the 2016 General Election for President which appear to be incorrect. Please amend your report to provide the correct total(s) on Schedule E. (52 U.S.C. §30104(b)(4) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(4)) and 11 CFR §104.4(f))

- Schedule B of your report discloses an expenditure(s) for "Television Advertising", "Carey Acct: Bumper Stickers" and "Carey Acct: Postage." For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, if a portion or all of these expenditures were for public communications (as defined by 11 CFR §100.26) containing express advocacy as defined under 11 CFR §100.22, this would constitute an independent expenditure and would be disclosed on a Schedule E supporting Line 24. Public communications that refer to a clearly identified Federal candidate, but that do not expressly advocate the election or defeat of that candidate would be reported on Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page.

- Your report discloses certain categories of financial activity that have been

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reflected on the wrong lines of the Detailed Summary Page. For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, all contributions to federal candidates should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule(s) B, supporting Line(s) 23 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions for each line when determining the proper categorization(s) for your next filing. (52 U.S.C. §30104(b) (formerly 2 U.S.C §434(b)) and FORM 3X Instructions)

**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) 694-1133.

Sincerely,



Christopher Morse  
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

**Excessive Contributions**  
**Great America PAC (C00608489)**

**Excessive Contributions from Individuals**

<b>Contributor Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Report</b>
CHATTERJEE, ELLEN	8/12/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 September Monthly
CHATTERJEE, ELLEN	10/25/2016	\$5,000.00	2016 30 Day Post General
CHATTERJEE, ELLEN	11/29/2016	\$2,000.00	2016 Year End
FOSDICK, THEODORE	7/18/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 August Monthly
FOSDICK, THEODORE	8/10/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 September Monthly
FOSDICK, THEODORE	9/16/2016	\$1,500.00	2016 October Monthly
FOSDICK, THEODORE	10/26/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 30 Day Post General
FOSDICK, THEODORE	12/1/2016	\$200.00	2016 Year End
FOSDICK, THEODORE	12/30/2016	\$3,000.00	2016 Year End
HEFFNER, CHANDI	8/16/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 September Monthly
HEFFNER, CHANDI	10/26/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HEFFNER, CHANDI	11/1/2016	\$100.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HEFFNER, CHANDI	11/2/2016	\$2,500.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HEFFNER, CHANDI	11/4/2016	\$1,008.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HEFFNER, CHANDI	12/30/2016	\$1,500.00	2016 Year End
HOLMAN, WAYNE	10/31/2016	\$5,000.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMAN, WAYNE	12/15/2016	\$100.00	2016 Year End
HOLMAN, WAYNE	12/16/2016	\$250.00	2016 Year End
HOLMAN, WAYNE	12/18/2016	\$250.00	2016 Year End
HOLMES, LEE	6/30/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 July Monthly
HOLMES, LEE	7/14/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 August Monthly
HOLMES, LEE	7/25/2016	\$250.00	2016 August Monthly
HOLMES, LEE	8/30/2016	\$500.00	2016 September Monthly
HOLMES, LEE	9/23/2016	\$100.00	2016 October Monthly
HOLMES, LEE	9/26/2016	\$250.00	2016 October Monthly
HOLMES, LEE	10/20/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	10/20/2016	\$500.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	10/21/2016	\$250.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	10/23/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	10/26/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	10/28/2016	\$250.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	11/1/2016	\$250.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	11/3/2016	\$250.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	11/7/2016	\$250.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	11/15/2016	\$75.00	2016 30 Day Post General
HOLMES, LEE	12/14/2016	\$250.00	2016 Year End
HOLMES, LEE	12/16/2016	\$250.00	2016 Year End

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HOLMES, LEE	12/18/2016	\$50.00	2016 Year End
JENSEN, JOHN	10/25/2016	\$2,500.00	2016 30 Day Post General
JENSEN, JOHN	10/30/2016	\$5,000.00	2016 30 Day Post General
JERNIGAN, JOHNNY	10/20/2016	\$5,000.00	2016 30 Day Post General
JERNIGAN, JOHNNY	10/25/2016	\$500.00	2016 30 Day Post General
JERNIGAN, JOHNNY	10/26/2016	\$250.00	2016 30 Day Post General
JERNIGAN, JOHNNY	10/28/2016	\$100.00	2016 30 Day Post General
JERNIGAN, JOHNNY	10/30/2016	\$250.00	2016 30 Day Post General
JERNIGAN, JOHNNY	11/3/2016	\$500.00	2016 30 Day Post General
SOLO, CAMILLE	8/17/2016	\$5,000.00	2016 September Monthly
SOLOW, CAMILLE	12/9/2016	\$200.00	2016 Year End
THEBERGE, BARBARA	6/24/2016	\$5,000.00	2016 July Monthly
THEBERGE, BARBARA	9/26/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 October Monthly
THEBERGE, BARBARA	11/4/2016	\$250.00	2016 30 Day Post General
THEBERGE, BARBARA	12/13/2016	\$250.00	2016 Year End
THEBERGE, BARBARA	12/16/2016	\$250.00	2016 Year End
YOUNG, THOMAS	6/29/2016	\$2,500.00	2016 July Monthly
YOUNG, THOMAS	9/20/2016	\$5,000.00	2016 October Monthly
YOUNG, THOMAS	12/5/2016	\$1,000.00	2016 Year End