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Gail L. Madler, Treasurer
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Political Action Committee
P.O. Box 1400
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Reference: July Quarterly Report (4/1/96-7/15/96)

Dear Ms. Madler:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-The totals listed on Lines 6(c) and 7, Column B of the Summary Page appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Line 6(a) of the Summary Page represents the total cash-on-hand as of January 1, 1996. This figure should be the same on all the reports covering the calendar year. Please amend your report to clarify the change made in Line 6(a).

-The totals listed on Lines 29, 30, and 31, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this

letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

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