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April 12, 2017

CALEB CROSBY, TREASURER CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP FUND 1747 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NW 5TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC 20006

Response Due Date 05/17/2017

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00504530

REFERENCE: 30 DAY POST-GENERAL REPORT (10/20/2016 - 11/28/2016)

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 E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file and timely file one or more of the required 24 hour report(s) regarding "last minute" independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 24 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(c), within 24 hours of any independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more with respect to a given election, made between two and twenty days before an election. The report must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$1,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §104.3(b))
- **2.** Schedule E discloses Calendar Year-To-Date Per Election total(s) for Kansas House 3rd District 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 A of your report discloses contributions from "HARLAN R. CROW FAMILY BRANCH PARTNERSHIP LP" that appear to be from an unincorporated proprietorship or partnership. These contributions should be

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attributed to each member in direct proportion to his or her share of the organization's profit or by agreement of its members. Each person who has contributed in excess of \$200 since January 1/Election Cycle Start Date should be identified by name, address, occupation, name of employer, amount of contribution, and aggregate total as a memo entry on Schedule A. (11 CFR §110.1(e) and (g)) Please amend your report by providing the omitted information.

- Schedule B of your report discloses an expenditure(s) for "Communications consulting," "Media consulting," and "Media optimization." 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.

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) 694-1157.

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Sincerely,

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Late 24 Hour Report (Schedule E) Congressional Leadership Fund (C00504530)

Name of Payee	Dissemination Date	Amount	Candidate	Election	Report Received
Political Ink	10/26/16	\$10,582.90	Smucker, Lloyd	G2016	10/28/16

Missing 24 Hour Report (Schedule E) Congressional Leadership Fund (C00504530)

Name of Payee	Dissemination Date	Amount	Candidate	Election
Something Else				
Strategies	10/25/16	\$19,000.00	Ashford, Brad	G2016