

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Response Due Date 07/24/2012

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00136200

REFERENCE: AMENDED STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION, RECEIVED 05/20/2012

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) 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 $\underline{1}$ item(s):

- Commission records indicate that you are a state committee for the Democratic Party; however, you have checked Line 5(h) which indicates that your committee is <u>not</u> a party committee. Please be advised a state committee is defined as the organization which, by virtue of the bylaws of a political party, is responsible for the day-to-day operation of such political party at the state level, as determined by the Commission. (2 U.S.C. §431(15))

If your committee is a state party, an amended Statement of Organization should be submitted which indicates the appropriate level (National, State or subordinate) and party affiliation (Democratic, Republican, etc.) on Line 5(d). Please amend your Statement of Organization or provide additional information to clarify this discrepancy.

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.

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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. 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) 694-1148.

Sincerely,

Quy Vuong Senior Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division

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