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Dr. Markus Barth, Treasurer
American Optometric Association
Political Action Committee
1505 Prince Street, Suite 300
Alexandria, VA 22314

Identification Number: C00024968

Reference: 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/00-10/18/00)

Dear Dr. Barth:

On December 27, 2000, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your January 10 and 12, 2000 responses are incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For these responses to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-The amended Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses the apparent redesignations of your contributions to the Schiff for Congress Committee (10/10/2000), Mac Collins for Congress (10/12/2000), and Chris Cox Congressional Committee (10/12/2000) from the Primary to the General Election. Your response indicates that copies of the letters sent to the committees was included with your amendment; however, they do not appear to have been submitted.

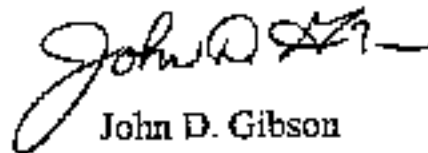
Please provide clarification regarding any corrective action taken with regards to these contributions, and disclose any redesignations or refunds as necessary on the appropriate schedules. If these contributions were redesignated, please provide the dates of redesignation. You may also submit a copy of the letters redesignating the contributions in question or copies of the refund requests in response to this letter.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by February 7, 2001. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in

determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. 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.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Edward D. Ryan on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



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