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Response Due Date**03/30/2026**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00898973

REFERENCE: AMENDED YEAR-END REPORT (10/01/2025 - 12/31/2025), RECEIVED
02/04/2026

Dear Treasurer:

This notice 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 3 item(s):

1. Commission Regulations require that a committee discloses the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in an election cycle. (11 CFR § 104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name (initials for first or last name are not acceptable), complete mailing address, occupation, and name of employer. (11 CFR § 100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

The following employer and occupation entries appear on your report and are not considered acceptable: "inquired - no response/inquired - no response," "SASCO/CEO," "Self Employed/CEO," "Self employed/Self employed" and "TEI/CEO."

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(1)) See 11 CFR § 104.7(b)(1)(i)(B) for examples of acceptable statements regarding the

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requirements of federal law.

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2)) The requests must:

- clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution;
- inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and
- if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you should either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(4))

Please amend your report to provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

2. Schedule A of your report discloses contributions received from a trust. Please be advised that for contributions received from a revocable or living trust, you must report the contribution as made by the beneficiary of the trust and disclose their required identification information (full name, address, occupation, and employer). For permissible contributions made by an irrevocable or testamentary trust, you must disclose the attribution for the contribution, including the person's required identification information (full name, address, occupation, and employer). Please note that contributions from a trust established for the benefit of a minor child can be attributed to the minor child if (i) they make a knowing and voluntary decision to contribute, (ii) the funds are owned or controlled exclusively by the child, and (iii) the contribution is not made from the proceeds of a gift given to the child for the purpose of providing funds to be contributed to a candidate for Federal office. If the minor child's contribution does not satisfy the stated criteria, the contribution must be attributed to the adult trustee, parent or legal guardian of the child. (11 CFR §§ 104.3(a)(4)(i), 104.8, and 110.19; AOs 1978-07 and 1999-19)

3. When a committee reports receiving a loan from the candidate, it is necessary

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to clarify whether or not the candidate used personal funds or borrowed the money from a lending institution or some other source. Please amend your report to indicate whether the loan is from the candidate's personal funds or if they obtained the loan from a bank loan, brokerage account, credit card, home equity line of credit, or other line of credit.

If the candidate loan was obtained from a lending institution, you must also file a Schedule C-1 with the Commission, providing the name of the lending institution and the complete terms of the loan between the candidate and the lending institution. Schedule C-1 can be downloaded from the FEC website at <http://www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/forms>.

If the loan(s) was from personal funds, please acknowledge that fact in an amendment to this report. It is important to note that "personal funds" is strictly defined by Commission Regulations. (11 CFR §100.33)

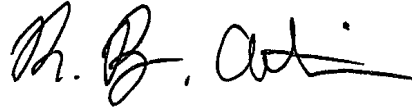
Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions 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 information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees. For more information about Requests for Additional Information (RAI), why you received a letter, and how to respond, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/request-additional-information. Should you 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) 694-1196.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. B. Austin", with a stylized, flowing script.

Bradley Austin

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