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Re: Federal Election Commission Filing
Third Quarter Campaign Finance Report
Karen Testerman, New Hampshire
Committee ID: C00547828

Honorable Secretary of the Senate:

I want to thank you for your thoughtful and helpful reminder concerning the filing of campaign finance reports. I believe that the practice of the Federal Election Commission, as well as the U.S. Senate, of providing reminders is a very constructive, beneficial, and useful service extended by your staff and FEC staff.

Unfortunately, it has become a pattern of a few untruthful partisan activists to sometimes abuse reminders by falsely suggesting a problem. The FEC can be dragged in to playing an unwilling role in campaigns – the very thing the FEC would most like to avoid. I have suggested to FEC staff in years past that the wording of boilerplate language be reviewed to emphasize that reminders do not reflect any individualized determination about any of the actual facts of any particular campaign.

Therefore, I hereby submit this statement and ask that it should be filed with the record and publicly available in the record for our campaign committee.

Prior to October 2013, Karen Testerman was in exploratory status regarding a campaign for either the U.S. House of Representatives or U.S. Senate from New Hampshire in the 2014 election campaign cycle.

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Even though Karen Testerman has now become *during October 2013* an unqualified candidate for U.S. Senate, we have carefully reviewed and considered the activity and status of the campaign up through the close of the reporting period at midnight on September 30, 2013, and the requirements in general of the Federal Election Campaign Act (FEC) and the regulations of the Federal Election Commission (FEC).

We have determined after due care and attention to the question that Karen Testerman's campaign for U.S. Senate is due to file a campaign finance report on January 31, 2014, covering all transactions as of the close of books up through December 31, 2013.

As part of that report, we understand that all financial transactions occurring while Karen Testerman was exploring the possibility of becoming a candidate must also be included and fully disclosed in that campaign finance report.

I feel that the exploratory campaign status is well-established but not always well-defined in every respect under FECA and FEC regulations. I hope that this is an adequate and acceptable interpretation of the requirements.

Please note also that the committee has decided to change its name from "Friends of Karen" to the more specific "Testerman for Senate."

Sincerely,

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