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DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE
OF MARYLAND
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Response Due Date
04/07/2011

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00141812

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT (11/23/2010 - 12/31/2010)

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 3 item(s):

1. Schedule A of your 2010 reports discloses transfers totaling \$1,014.25 from the "ASDC Partnership", which is a joint fundraising committee affiliated with your committee. The sum of the entries itemized on the memo Schedule A, however, total only \$0.

Please be advised that a memo Schedule A must be provided to itemize your committee's share of the gross contributions received through the joint fundraiser. The memo schedule should itemize each individual who has contributed an aggregate in excess of \$200 during the calendar year, and provide the amount of unitemized contributions received. In addition, the memo schedule should itemize your committee's share of all contributions from political committees, regardless of amount. 11 CFR §102.17(c)(8)(i)(B) Please clarify this discrepancy.

2. Schedule H5 of your 2010 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/10-10/13/10), 2010 30 Day Post-General Report (10/14/10-11/22/10) and 2010 Year-End Report (11/23/10-12/31/10) discloses a transfer(s)-in from a non-federal or Levin account(s) for the "Voter ID" category(s) which appears to exceed the permissible amount(s) indicated by your allocation ratio for this activity/event. Please be advised that transfers for allocated Federal Election Activity must not exceed the Levin share of the allocated disbursements and that these transfers must be made within a 70-day time period: no more than 10 days before and no more than 60 days after payment to the vendor. 11 CFR

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§300.33(d)(2) Please clarify the nature of this transfer(s)-in from the non-federal or Levin account.

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer the total excessive amount received by your federal account back to your non-federal or Levin account. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

3. Schedules H5 and L-B of your 2010 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/10-10/13/10), 2010 30 Day Post-General Report (10/14/10-11/22/10) and 2010 Year-End Report (11/23/10-12/31/10) report discloses a transfer-in of \$87,090.77 from your Levin account for Voter ID activity; however, a Schedule H6 has not been filed to disclose any payments for allocable Federal Election Activity, which is necessary to support such a transfer-in.

Please be advised that transfers for allocated Federal Election Activity must not exceed the Levin share of the allocated disbursements and that these transfers must be made within a 70-day time period: no more than 10 days before and no more than 60 days after payment to the vendor. 11 CFR §300.33(d)(2) In addition, unless your Levin account is reimbursing your federal account for allocable Federal Election Activity, the transfer-in of funds from a Levin account is prohibited by 11 CFR §102.5(a)(1)(i) and §300.30(b)(3). Please clarify the nature of this transfer-in from the Levin account.

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer the impermissible funds received by your federal account, back to your Levin account. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

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.**

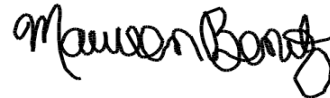
Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any

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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) 694-1147.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maureen Benitz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Maureen Benitz
Senior Campaign Finance and Reviewing Analyst
Reports Analysis Division