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Reference: Response to October Quarterly Report (7/1/08-9/30/08)

Dear Mr. Jones,

This letter is in response to the Commission's preliminary review of the American Meat Institute's October Quarterly Report for 2008.

As previously reported in our response letter sent to the FEC on 9/12/2008, on 6/23/2008, AMI-PAC made a contribution of \$5,000.00 (check 3243) to the 'Elizabeth Dole Committee, Inc.,' unintentionally exceeding the permissible contribution limit by \$3,500.00 for the General election period. Disclosure of the original contribution of \$5,000.00 may be found on line 23 (p.39) of the amended Q2, 2008 report.

In response to the excessive payment made to the campaign committee, AMI-PAC received two refund checks totaling \$3,500.00 during the months of July and August. The two reimbursement checks to AMI-PAC were noted on the memo line of the amended Q2, 2008 report, as well as disclosed on line 16 of the Q3, 2008. Please note the aforementioned reimbursements from the campaign committee include one check for \$2,500.00 (check 2553, dated 7/7/2008) as well as a second check for \$1,000.00 (check 2757, dated 8/26/2008).

To better clarify, a hardcopy of the original time table used to illustrate refunds/redesignations of AMI contributions, used in part of AMI's response to the original FEC inquiry dated September 22, 2008 - will be mailed to your office.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. Should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michael Brown
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