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REFERENCES: Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/01/2014 10/15/2014), Received 02/23/2015; Amended 30 Day Post-General Report (10/16/2014 11/24/2014), Received 02/23/2015; Year-End Report (11/25/2014 12/31/2014)

This responds to your letters dated April 14, 2015 based upon the Federal Election Commissions (the Commission) preliminary review of the Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/01/2014 10/15/2014), Received 02/23/2015, the Amended 30 Day Post-General Report (10/16/2014 11/24/2014), Received 02/23/2015, and the Year End Report (11/25/2014 12/31/14) of the National Draft Ben Carson for President Committee (the Committee).

We contacted Kevin Fortkiewicz, Senior Campaign Finance Analyst, Reports Analysis Division, on May 8, 2015. Regarding item number 1 in the above referenced letters, Mr. Fortkiewicz confirmed that the documentation provided with the amended filings is sufficient to satisfy the requirements of the FEC. Further, Mr. Fortkiewicz confirmed that as long as there are no further changes to the schedule of incurred debts, the Committee should not receive any further requests for documentation regarding this item and no further action is required by the Committee.

Regarding item number 2, the Committee continues the process of contacting the individuals you identified in order to obtain the additional requested information related to employer and occupation, and will amend its reports based on new information if obtained. We telephoned Mr. Fortkiewicz on May 15, 2015 and May 18, 2015 to discuss this issue and are awaiting a response. In addition, the following is a listing of the Committees procedures to perform best efforts in trying to obtain the required information.

(1) Required information is requested from donors in the solicitation materials on the response vehicle. Included on each response form is the statement Although there is no limit on the amount you can contribute to the National Draft Ben Carson for President Committee, Federal Law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation, and employer of individuals whose contributions exceed \$200 in an election cycle. The response form then provides space for the donor to provide the requested information.

(2) If the required information is not provided, a follow-up letter is sent to the donor within 30 days of the receipt of the contribution. The Committees primary method of contacting donors is through utilization of the email address provided by the donor, emailing a letter requesting the necessary additional information. If no email address has been provided, the donors are contacted by U.S. Mail. Finally, if no email address or mailing address is provided, donors are contacted to the extent possible through other identifying information that is available (phone, etc.). Each communication states We are writing to you because we need some additional information from you in order to complete our FEC report on campaign financing, so we can be compliant per federal regulations. The letter will further request the specific information necessary. For example, You may have listed your occupation as self-employed. We simply need the type/field of work occupation and the name of your company, if applicable.

The Committee updates its records as additional information is received. If the field subsequent FEC reports contains the phrase Information Requested, then the Committee has not received any new information from the donor. The reports are amended with additional information when obtained.

Regarding item number 3 from the Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/01/2014 10/15/2014), Received 02/23/2015, the request for additional information indicates that Schedule E discloses independent expenditures paid during a period outside the coverage dates of the report. We telephoned Mr. Fortkiewicz

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on May 15, 2015 and May 18, 2015 to discuss this issue and are awaiting a response Further, we are currently working with our software provider, Aristotle, in order to correct the reporting issue and will provide any necessary amended returns as soon as possible.

If you have any additional comments or require additional information, please let us know.
