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(10/15/98-11/23/98) and Year End Reports (11/24/98-12/31/98)

Dear Mr. Cohen:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-For future reporting, please be advised that only the amounts applied toward the principal amount of a loan should be included in the Cumulative Payment-to-Date box on Schedule C. Those payments should also be reported on Schedule B supporting Line 26 of the Detailed Summary Page. Interest payments should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 21(b), as operating expenditures, in accordance with 11 CFR §104.3.

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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