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Response Due Date
03/24/2021

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00468314

REFERENCE: OCTOBER MONTHLY REPORT (09/01/2020 - 09/30/2020)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report 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 2 item(s):

1. Please be advised that for each earmarked contribution forwarded must provide the information required by 11 CFR §110.6(c)(1)(iv)(A) through (C). Schedule B, Line 23 discloses earmarked contributions totaling \$22,049 forwarded to the "ELAINE FOR CONGRESS," "PEOPLE FOR BEN," "RITA HART FOR IOWA," and "THERESA GREENFIELD FOR IOWA." Pursuant to 11 CFR §110.6(c), all earmarked contributions, that have passed through a conduit's account, must be itemized on the receipt (Schedule A) and disbursement (Schedule B) schedules, regardless of the amount. On your report, the dates of the forwarded earmarks on Schedule B are preceding the dates of the receipts on Schedule A. Please clarify this discrepancy and provide the exact date the earmarked contribution was received by your committee (Schedule A) and forwarded to the recipient candidate (Schedule B).

2. Your report discloses the apparent disbursement of earmarked contributions outside the permissible time period. As a conduit or intermediary for an authorized committee, your committee must forward any earmarked contribution, along with a transmittal report, no later than ten (10) days after receiving the earmarked contribution. (11 CFR §§102.8(a) and (c) and 110.6(c)(1)(iii))

If the earmarked contributions were incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your report with clarifying information.

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Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the untimely forwarding of earmarked contributions, your prompt action in addressing the concerns raised 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. For information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees. For more information about Requests for Additional Information (RAI), why you received a letter, and how to respond, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/request-additional-information. Should you have any 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) 694-1180.

Sincerely,



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