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Dear Mr. Baisden,

This letter is in response to your recent inquiry regarding the amended 12-Day Pre-General Report.

The 2016 Committee (Committee) has reviewed the amended October Quarterly, 12-Day Pre-General, and 30-Day Post-General reports, specifically with regard to Schedule D related transactions.

Upon review, the Committee discovered that the previous compliance vendor improperly imported a subset of the debts incurred during the period of the October Quarterly report. Importantly, the total amount of debt incurred was accurate, but some of the debts were attributed to the wrong vendor. The Committee owed debt to twelve vendors at the close of the October Quarterly report totaling \$200,009.34. The Committee reported those twelve vendors and debt totaling \$200,009.34, but certain transactions were misattributed across the twelve vendors. A minor debt to DirectTV in the amount of \$119.76 was also listed on Schedule D in error due to a software glitch. That debt was actually paid in May 2016, and is not relevant for these reports.

The following are the twelve vendors and total debts owed to each:

Campaign Funding Direct ? \$46,892.57  
Chocklett Press Inc./Amerisource Funding Inc. ? \$24,030.63  
Colortree Group, Inc. ? \$28,196.12  
CP Direct ? \$1,466.60  
DirectMail.com ? \$16,979.87  
ECG Data Center ? \$28,250.86  
International Data Management, Inc. ? \$1,305.41  
Omega List Company ? \$17,192.93  
RST Marketing ? \$21,122.48  
Sisk Fulfillment Services - \$493.38  
Washington Intelligence Bureau ? \$9,605.61  
Zip Mailing Services, Inc ? \$4,472.88

Further compounding matters, the financial data provided by the Committee's primary vendor for Schedule D included transactions from beyond the report's coverage period. Therefore, some payments made in late October and November were

included as debt payments on the 12-Day Pre-General Schedule D when those payments actually occurred during the 30-Day

Post-General report coverage period. A thorough review of the Schedule B and Schedule E disbursements reported on the 12-Day Pre-General and 30-Day Post-General reports reveal that the vendors identified in your letter were fully paid the debt amounts noted above. In every case except two, the vendor was paid the exact figure above between the 12-Day Pre-General and 30-Day Post-General report coverage periods.

For example, Campaign Funding Direct was paid \$14,353.82 between October 10 and October 17, as was reported on Schedule

B of the 12-Day Pre-General report, and was paid \$32,538.75 between October 21 and October 24, as was reported on

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the debt. DirectMail.com was paid \$12,531.55 between October 10 and October 17, as was reported on Schedule B of the 12-Day Pre-General report, and was paid \$4,448.32 on October 24, as was reported on Schedule B of the 30-Day Post-General report, which equals the debt figure from above of \$16,979.87 and zeros out that debt. CP Direct was paid \$1,466.60 on October 17, as was reported on Schedule B of the 12-Day Pre-General report, which equals the debt figure from above of \$1,466.60 and zeros out that debt. Seven others vendors have similar situations.

The only two vendors for whom the payments are not exact are ECG Data Center and Omega List Company. ECG Data Center was paid \$30,703.73 between October 10 and October 24, which zeroed out the debt of \$28,250.86. Omega List Company was paid \$18,944.12 between October 10 and November 14, which zeroed out the debt of \$17,192.93. Those payments can be found on Schedules B and E of the 12-Day Pre-General report and 30-Day Post-General report.

A review of the 2016 Year End Report Schedule D ?Outstanding Balances at Close of Period? and subsequent January 2017 payments reveal that all debts stemming from 2016 activity have been paid. No vendor has made an in-kind contribution and the Committee has fully paid for the activity it engaged in.

Importantly, because the information reported on Schedule D has no impact on the actual Schedule B and E disbursements or financial figures, the Committee is confident that the actual cash impacting transactions are accurate. The Committee is confident that the Column B figures are reconciled and correct. The Schedule D for the Committee?s late 2016 reports were impacted by an improper import, which causes unfortunate confusion for the public record.

The former treasurer of the Committee, who was responsible for filing these reports, is currently unable to produce amended reports, much to the Committee?s disappointment. The Committee sincerely hopes this Form 99 helps clarify the public record and shows the Commission that the finances of the Committee are in order and that all debts incurred were paid.

As previously noted, starting this year, the Committee has changed compliance vendors to ensure reporting issues like these do not occur in the future. The Committee sincerely regrets the filing errors and has worked hard to address them to clarify the public record to the best of its ability. The actual receipts, disbursements, and cash-on-hand reported by the Committee are accurate based on our review. If the Committee can be of further assistance in clarifying the public record, please let us know.

Sincerely,  
The 2016 Committee