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Dear Ms. Amrhein:

This letter is in response to your request for additional information, dated April 8, 2015.

1. Your letter indicates that the Committee disclosed one or more contributions that appear to exceed the limits set forth in the act. The Committee is aware of the contribution limits. In the case of an individual, if the contribution cannot be presumptively reattributed to a spouse or redesignated to a subsequent election, the Committee either sends a verified reattribution letter or refunds the excessive portion within 60 days of receipt. The Committee sends all presumptive reattribution and redesignation letters within 30 days or receipt and always gives the donor the option of making a change or requesting a refund. When the Committee receives contributions from other political committees that cause an excessive total, the Committee contacts the other political committee and requests a verified redesignation. If this is not received, the Committee issues a refund. The following is a response to each contributor listed in your letter:

Yvonne Berry- The 8/7/2014 contribution was reported as $200, not $2000. This donor is not over limit.

Arthur Choate: The excessive portion of this contribution was returned to the Rubio Victory Committee and disclosed in the 9/30/14 distribution detail.

Alice Clark: $200 had been returned to the Rubio Victory Committee and will be disclosed in the next distribution on the April 2015 Quarterly Report.

John D. Curtis: On 2/1/15 $2700 of this contribution was redesignated to the 2016 General. This will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report. An additional $800 was refunded in April 2015 and will be disclosed on the July 2015 Quarterly Report.

Michael Ferguson: Mr. Ferguson has contributed a total of $2700 to the 2016 Primary and is within the current 2016 primary limit.

Warren Galkin: A refund in the amount of $1000 was issued on 3/31/15. This will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report.

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Herbert Gullquist: On 2/1/15, $900 was reattributed to Mrs. Gullquist. This will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report.

Steven Irizarry: On 2/1/15, $2400 was redesignated to the 2016 General. This will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report.

Thomas Linnen , Sr.: On 2/1/15, $1985 was reattributed to Mrs. Linnen. This will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report.

Rama Mantena: On 1/15/15, $2400 was reattributed to Padmaja Mantena. This will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report.

Sandra Reus: On 2/1/15, $4400 of this contribution was reattributed to James Reus and $2600 was redesignated to the 2016 General. These transactions will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report.

Annette Simmons: On 2/1/15, $2600 was redesignated to the 2016 General. This will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report. In addition, a refund in the amount of $2300 was issued in April and will be disclosed on the July 2015 Quarterly Report.

Steven Taylor: The excessive portion of the contribution was returned to the Rubio Victory Committee and will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report.

Tray/Anthony Traveisa: This donor was a duplicate in our database. The excessive portion has been returned to the Rubio Victory Committee and will be disclosed on the April 2015 Quarterly Report.

The Committee now de-dupes and performs reviews of the data weekly to identify any excessive contributions that may have been missed during the initial processing. Once excessive contributions are identified, the Committee takes steps to either reattribute, redesignate or refund if necessary. For presumptive reattributions and redesignations, the Committee notifies the contributors in writing within 60 days of receipt and gives the contributor the opportunity to change this designation or request a refund as required by the Commission regulations. For excessive contributions that cannot be presumptively reattributed or redesignated, the excessive portion of the contribution is refunded within 60 days of receipt of the original contribution, with most being issued within the same reporting period.

In addition, we have asked our database vendor to review the files to make sure it has de-duped the records. We have also asked that they retrain their staff to properly input contribution data in the first instance. We are also reviewing our processes to ensure that we are taking every step to avoid these issues in the future.

Sincerely,

Lisa R. Lisker

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