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VIA E-MAIL & REGULAR MAIL

Mr. Brad C. Deutsch
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Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
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Dear Mr. Deutsch:

Thank you for sending to us a copy of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) relating to coordinated and independent expenditures by party committees. We have no comments at this time. If you would like to discuss any impact the proposals set forth in the NPRM may have on tax-exempt organizations, please feel free to call Cynthia Morton or me at (202) 622-6070.

Sincerely,

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