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VIA E-MAIL & REGULAR MAIL

Mr. Brad C. Deutsch
Assistant General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Dear Mr. Deutsch:

Thank you for sending to us a copy of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) relating to payroll deductions by member corporations for contributions to a trade association's separate segregated fund. 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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