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To: politicalcommitteestatus@fec.gov
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Subject: FW: Delivery Notification: Delivery has failed

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From: PMDF e-Mail Interconnect [mailto:postmaster@hostnet.net]
Sent: Tuesday, April 06, 2004 12:32 PM
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This report relates to a message you sent with the following header fields:

Message-id: <000001c41bf2\$6fef8420\$3fe89f18@WCILCAU256JF80>
Date: Tue, 06 Apr 2004 11:15:44 -0500
From: maureen ryan <moryan@charter.net>
To: 'political' <committeestatus@fec.gov>
Subject: proposed rule

Your message cannot be delivered to the following recipients:

Recipient address: committeestatus@fects001.fec.gov
Original address: committeestatus@fec.gov
Reason: Remote SMTP server has rejected address
Diagnostic code: smtp;550 committeestatus@fects001.fec.gov... No such user
Remote system: dns;fects001.fec.gov
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Date: Tue, 6 Apr 2004 11:15:44 -0500
Message-ID: <000001c41bf2\$6fef8420\$3fe89f18@WCILCAU256JF80>
MIME-Version: 1.0
X-Priority: 3 (Normal)
X-MSMail-Priority: Normal
X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook, Build 10.0.2627
X-MIMEOLE: Produced By Microsoft MimeOLE V6.00.2800.1165

Importance: Normal
Content-Type: multipart/mixed;
boundary="-----_NextPart_000_000A_01C41BCD.543BD730"

Thank you for your time & please consider the content of this attached letter.

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Original-envelope-id: 01L8LYVW5302000ESN@ias1.iacnet.com
Reporting-MTA: dns;ias1.iacnet.com (TCP-FEC)

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Original-recipient: rfc822;committeestatus@fec.gov

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April 6, 2004

Ms. Mai T. Duh
Acting Assistant General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20643

Comments Re: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Political Committee Status

Dear Ms Dinh:

As the Executive Director of the Wisconsin Coalition of Independent Living Centers, I am writing in opposition to the FEC's proposed rule changes, (NPRM). As a 501 C3, we may be changed into a federally regulated political committee and subjected to a number of restrictive rules and regulations. Our advocacy efforts would be unduly restricted. Advocacy is a federal and state mandated service as per the Rehabilitation Act for Centers for Independent Living. How could we effectively do our jobs as advocates without being able to sponsor any public communication that refers to a candidate for federal office and/or that candidate's policy positions. The proposed definition of "political committee" could make it almost impossible for most non-profits to engage in the most nonpartisan of voter participation activities. The "look back rule" applied retroactively would punish non-profits for not foreseeing these new parameters. These proposed rule changes are inconsistent with the intent of the First Amendment.

Sincerely,
Maureen Ryan, Executive Director
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