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Washington DC 20463

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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MEMORANDUM

SENSITIVE

TO: THE COMMISSION

THROUGH: JOSEPH F. STOLTZ *[Signature]*  
ACTING STAFF DIRECTOR

FROM: JOHN D. GIBSON *[Signature]*  
CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

PATRICIA CARMONA *[Signature]*  
ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR  
REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION

BY: NATALIYA IOFFE *[Signature]* / RIIANNON MAGRUDER *[Signature]* / CHRIS RITCHIE *[Signature]*  
COMPLIANCE BRANCH

SUBJECT: REASON TO BELIEVE RECOMMENDATION – 2008 OCTOBER  
QUARTERLY REPORT (ELECTION SENSITIVE) FOR THE  
ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PROGRAM

Attached is a list of political committees and their treasurers who failed to file the 2008 October Quarterly Report in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 434(a). The October Quarterly Report was due on October 15, 2008.

Under the Administrative Fine Program, the October Quarterly Report is considered an election-sensitive filing for authorized committees supporting candidates involved in the general election as well as all unauthorized committees. For the committees listed on the attached RTB Circulation Report, the October Quarterly Report was an election-sensitive filing. The committees either filed the report more than five (5) days after the due date, failed to file the report or failed to file the report prior to four (4) days before the general election (considered a non-filed report). In accordance with the schedule of civil money penalties for reports at 11 C.F.R. 111.43, these committees should be assessed the civil money penalties included on the attached report.

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**Recommendation**

1. Find reason to believe that the political committees and their treasurers listed on the RTB Circulation Report violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalties would be the amounts indicated on the RTB Circulation Report.
2. Send the appropriate letters.

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 Reason to Believe Circulation Report  
 2008 OCTOBER QUARTERLY Election Sensitive 10/15/2008 H\_S\_P\_UNAUTH

AF#	Committee ID	Committee Name	Candidate Name	Treasurer	Threshold	PV	Receipt Date	Days Late	LOA	RTB Penalty
1888	C00034645	AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (FKA ASMT/PAC)		LINDA HICKOK	\$108,237	0	11/6/2008	Not Filed	\$18,167	\$900
1889	C00439042	AMERICANS UNITED FOR FREEDOM (AUF) PAC	PAUL, RON	BRANDON S. LLOYD	\$164,826	0		Not Filed	\$54,942 (est)	\$3,000
1894	C00448241	DOUG TUDOR FOR CONGRESS	TUDOR, DOUGLAS DAVID	JON P. TUDOR	\$175,068	0	10/29/2008	14	\$49,075	\$650
1897	C00421008	METAL LATHERS LOCAL 46 PAC		ROBERT LEDWITH	\$256,590	0	10/23/2008	8	\$35,396	\$500

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AF#	Committee ID	Committee Name	Candidate Name	Treasurer	Threshold	PV	Receipt Date	Days Late	LOA	RTB Penalty
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1900	C00437871	SALAZAR COMISIONADO 2008	SALAZAR, ALFREDO	LUIS SALAZAR	\$710,846	1	10/26/2008	11	\$353,807	\$6,500
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1902	C00153379	SIERRA PACIFIC EMPLOYEES POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE		JOHN VINSKI	\$127,020	0	10/21/2008	6	\$31,925	\$450
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1904	C00148155	ST LOUISIANS FOR BETTER GOVERNMENT		BERNARD PASTERNAK	\$112,276	0	10/26/2008	11	\$3,752	\$160
1905	C00139867	UGI CORPORATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (UGI/PAC)		GREGORY MICHAEL BUCKS	\$206,865	0	12/4/2008	Not Filed	\$30,127	\$1,400

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
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Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2008 )  
October Quarterly Report (Election )  
Sensitive) for the Administrative Fine )  
Program: )

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL ) AF# 1888  
LABORATORY SCIENCE POLITICAL )  
ACTION COMMITTEE (FKA )  
ASMT/PAC), and LINDA HICKOK as )  
treasurer; )  
AMERICANS UNITED FOR FREEDOM ) AF# 1889  
(AUF) PAC, and BRANDON S LLOYD as )  
treasurer; )

DOUG TUDOR FOR CONGRESS, and ) AF# 1894  
JON P TUDOR as treasurer; )

METAL LATHERS LOCAL 46 PAC, and ) AF# 1897  
ROBERT LEDWITH as treasurer; )

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SALAZAR COMISIONADO 2008, and ) AF# 1900  
LUIS SALAZAR as treasurer; )

SIERRA PACIFIC EMPLOYEES ) AF# 1902  
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, and )  
VINSKI, JOHN as treasurer; )

ST LOUISIANS FOR BETTER ) AF# 1904  
GOVERNMENT, and BERNARD )  
PASTERNAK as treasurer; )  
UGI CORPORATION POLITICAL ) AF# 1905  
ACTION COMMITTEE (UGI/PAC), and )  
GREGORY MICHAEL BUCKS as )  
treasurer; )

CERTIFICATION

I, Mary W. Dove, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on December 10, 2008 the Commission took the following actions on the Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2008 October Quarterly Report (Election Sensitive) for the Administrative Fine Program as recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's Memorandum dated December 08, 2008, on the following committees:

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AF#1888 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (FKA ASMT/PAC), and LINDA HICKOK as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1889 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that AMERICANS UNITED FOR FREEDOM (AUF) PAC, and BRANDON S LLOYD as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#1894 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that DOUG TUDOR FOR CONGRESS, and JON P TUDOR as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#1897 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that METAL LATHERS LOCAL 46 PAC, and ROBERT LEDWITH as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#1900 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SALAZAR COMISIONADO 2008, and LUIS SALAZAR as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount

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indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#1902 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SIERRA PACIFIC EMPLOYEES POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, and VINSKI, JOHN as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#1904 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that ST LOUISIANS FOR BETTER GOVERNMENT, and BERNARD PASTERNAK as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#1905 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that UGI CORPORATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (UGI/PAC), and GREGORY MICHAEL BUCKS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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Certification for Administrative Fines  
December 10, 2008

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Attest:

December 10, 2008  
Date

Mary W. Dove  
Mary W. Dove  
Secretary of the Commission

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 11, 2008

John Vinski  
Sierra Pacific Employees Political Action Committee  
P.O. Box 81500  
Attn: John J. Vinski, Treasurer  
Las Vegas, NV 89180

C00153379  
AF#: 1902

Dear John Vinski:

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), requires that your committee file an October Quarterly Report of Receipts and Disbursements in a calendar year during which there is a regularly scheduled election. This report, covering the period through September 30th, shall be filed no later than October 15th. 2 U.S.C. 434(a). Records at the Federal Election Commission ("FEC") indicate that this report was filed on 10/21/2008, 6 days late.

The Act was further amended in 1999 to permit the FEC to impose civil money penalties for violations of the reporting requirements of 2 U.S.C. 434(a). 2 U.S.C. 437g(a)(4). On 12/10/2008, the FEC found that there is reason to believe ("RTB") that Sierra Pacific Employees Political Action Committee and you, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) by failing to file timely this report on or before October 15th. Based on the FEC's schedules of civil money penalties at 11 C.F.R. 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage is \$450. It is due by 1/19/2009 and is based on these factors:

Election Sensitivity of Report: Election Sensitive  
Level of Activity: \$31,925  
Number of Days Late: 6  
Number of Previous Civil Money Penalties Assessed: 0

**To Pay the Calculated Civil Money Penalty**

To pay the calculated civil money penalty, send the enclosed remittance and your payment to the FEC at the address on page 4. Upon receipt of your payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

**To Challenge the RTB Finding and/or Calculated Civil Money Penalty**

To challenge the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty, you must submit a written response, including the AF# found on page one, to the FEC's Office of Administrative

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Review, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. Your response must be received by 1/19/2009. Your written response must include the reason(s) why you are challenging the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty. The FEC will only consider challenges that are based on a factual error in the RTB finding; miscalculation of the calculated civil money penalty by the FEC; or your demonstrated use of best efforts to file in a timely manner when prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond your control. In order for a challenge to be considered on the basis of best efforts, you must have filed the required report no later than 24 hours after the end of these reasonably unforeseen circumstances. Examples of circumstances that will be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, a failure of Commission computers or Commission-provided software despite you seeking technical assistance from Commission personnel and resources; a widespread disruption of information transmissions over the Internet that is not caused by the Commission's or your computer systems or Internet service provider; and severe weather or other disaster-related incident. **Examples of circumstances that will not be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, negligence; delays caused by vendors or contractors; treasurer and staff illness, inexperience or unavailability; committee computer, software, or internet service provider failures; failure to know filing dates; and failure to use filing software properly.** Your response must include the factual basis supporting the reason(s) and supporting documentation. The FEC strongly encourages that documents be submitted in the form of affidavits or declarations. 11 C.F.R. 111.35.

Your failure to raise an argument in a timely fashion during the administrative process shall be deemed a waiver of your right to present such argument in a petition to the district court under 2 U.S.C. 437g. 11 C.F.R. 111.38.

If you intend to be represented by counsel, please advise the Office of Administrative Review. You should provide, in writing, the name, address and telephone number of your counsel and authorize counsel to receive notifications and communications relating to this challenge and imposition of the calculated civil money penalty.

#### **If You Do Not Pay the Calculated Civil Money Penalty or Submit a Challenge**

If you do not pay the calculated civil money penalty or submit a written response, the FEC will assume that the preceding factual allegations are true and make a final determination that Sierra Pacific Employees Political Action Committee and you, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty.

Unpaid civil money penalties assessed through the Administrative Fine regulations will be subject to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 ("DCA") as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, 31 U.S.C. 3701 et seq. The FEC may take any and all appropriate action authorized and required by the DCA, as amended, including transfer to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection. 11 C.F.R. 111.45.

This matter was generated based on information ascertained by the FEC in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. 2 U.S.C. 437g(a)(2). It will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A) until it is placed on

the public record in accordance with 11 C.F.R. 111.42, unless you notify the FEC in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

Additional information on the FEC's administrative fine program, including the final regulations, is located at the FEC's website at [www.FEC.gov](http://www.FEC.gov). If you have questions regarding the payment of the calculated civil money penalty, please contact Rhiannon Magruder in the Reports Analysis Division at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130. If you have questions regarding the submission of a challenge, please contact the Office of Administrative Review at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202) 694-1660.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "DFM II", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Donald F. McGahn II  
Chairman

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**ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REMITTANCE & PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS**

In accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at RTB is \$450 for the 2008 October Quarterly Report.

Please mail this remittance with a check or money order made payable to the Federal Election Commission to the following address:

Federal Election Commission  
P.O. Box 979058  
St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

If you choose to send your remittance and payment by courier or overnight delivery, please use this address:

U.S. Bank - Government Lockbox  
FEC #979058  
1005 Convention Plaza  
Attn: Government Lockbox, SL-MO-C2GL  
St. Louis, MO 63101

The remittance and your payment are due by 1/19/2009. Upon receipt of your remittance and payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

**PAYMENTS BY PERSONAL CHECK**

Personal checks will be converted into electronic funds transfers (EFTS). Your account will be electronically debited for the amount on your check, usually within 24 hours, and the debit will appear on your regular statement. We will destroy your original check and keep a copy of it. In case the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in lieu of the original check. Should the EFT not be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer twice.

**PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT**

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FOR: Sierra Pacific Employees Political Action Committee

FEC ID#: C00153379

AF#: 1902

PAYMENT DUE DATE: 1/19/2009

PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$450

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

February 26, 2009

MEMORANDUM

**SENSITIVE**

TO: THE COMMISSION

THROUGH: JOSEPH F. STOLTZ *JFS*  
ACTING STAFF DIRECTOR

FROM: JOHN D. GIBSON *JG*  
CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

PATRICIA CARMONA *PC*  
ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR  
REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION

BY: NATALIYA IOFFE/RHIANNON MAGRUDER *NIM*  
COMPLIANCE BRANCH

SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PROGRAM – FINAL DETERMINATION  
RECOMMENDATION FOR THE 2008 OCTOBER QUARTERLY  
REPORT (ELECTION SENSITIVE)

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FEDERAL ELECTION  
COMMISSION  
SECRETARIAT

Attached are two lists of political committees and their treasurers against which the Commission has found reason to believe (RTB) and assessed proposed civil money penalties calculated at RTB for failure to file or failure to timely file the 2008 October Quarterly Report.<sup>1</sup> The first list represents the committees that have paid the civil money penalty and the second list represents those committees that have not paid the civil money penalty. The committees that have not paid have been given at least forty (40) days from the date of the Commission's RTB finding to remit payment.

In accordance with 11 CFR 111.34 and 11 CFR 111.40, the Commission shall send a final determination notice to those respondents that have either paid or not paid the civil money penalty.

For your information, four (4) committees disclosed a level of activity after the RTB finding which would result in a lowered civil money penalty. Of these, one (1) committee will be

<sup>1</sup> Under the Administrative Fine Program, the October Quarterly Report is considered an election-sensitive filing for authorized committees supporting candidates involved in the general election as well as all unauthorized committees.

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assessed a civil money penalty of \$0 at Final Determination (FD), and three (3) committees will be assessed a civil money penalty at FD that has been reduced since the RTB finding. An overview of each of these cases has been provided below.

Americans United for Freedom (AUF) PAC (AF 1889) filed the 2008 October Quarterly Report after the RTB finding and disclosed no activity (previously estimated to be \$54,942) which would result in no civil money penalty (fine previously assessed to be \$3,000).

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**RAD Recommendation**

- (1) Make final determination that the political committees and their treasurers on the attached reports violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess the final civil money penalties so indicated.
- (2) Send the appropriate letters.

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 FD Circulation Report Fine Paid  
 2008 OCTOBER QUARTERLY Election Sensitive 10/15/2008 H\_S\_P\_UNAULTH

AF#	Committee Name	Candidate Name	Committee ID	Treasurer	Receipt Date	Days Late	LOA	PV	RTB Date	RTB Penalty	Final Money Penalty	Date Paid	Amount Paid
1888	AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (FKA ASMT/PAC)		C00034645	LINDA HICKOK	11/06/2008	Not Filed	\$18,167	0	12/10/2008	\$900	\$900	01/20/2009	\$980
1894	DOUG TUDOR FOR CONGRESS	TUDOR, DOUGLAS DAVID	C00448241	JON P. TUDOR	10/29/2008	14	\$51,575	0	12/10/2008	\$650	\$650	02/11/2009	\$650
1897	METAL LATHERS LOCAL 46 PAC		C00421008	ROBERT LEDWITH	10/23/2008	8	\$35,386	0	12/10/2008	\$500	\$500	12/29/2008	\$500
1900	SALAZAR COMISIONADO 2008	SALAZAR, ALFREDO	C00437871	LUIS SALAZAR	10/26/2008	11	\$353,807	1	12/10/2008	\$6,500	\$6,500	2/13/2009	\$6,500
1902	SIERRA PACIFIC EMPLOYEES POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE		C00153379	JOHN YMSKI	10/27/2008	6	\$31,925	0	12/10/2008	\$450	\$450	01/21/2009	\$450
1904	ST. LOUISANS FOR BETTER GOVERNMENT		C00148155	SHELDON SANDMIEL	10/26/2008	11	\$3,752	0	12/10/2008	\$160	\$160	02/11/2009	\$160
1805	UGI CORPORATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (UGIPAC)		C00109667	GREGORY MICHAEL BUCKS	12/04/2008	Not Filed	\$30,127	0	12/10/2008	\$1,400	\$1,400	01/22/2009	\$1,400

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FD Circulation Report Fine Not Paid  
2008 OCTOBER QUARTERLY Election Sensitive 10/15/2008 H\_S\_P\_UNAUTH

AF#	Committee Name	Candidate Name	Committee ID	Treasurer	Receipt Date	Days Late	LOA	PV	RTB Date	RTB Penalty	Days Since RTB	FD Penalty
1889	AMERICANS UNITED FOR FREEDOM (AUF) PAC	PAUL, RON	C00439042	BRANDON S. LLOYD	12/16/2008	Not Filed	\$0	0	12/10/2008	\$3,000	78	\$0

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
)  
Administrative Fines Final Determination )  
Recommendation for the 2008 October )  
Quarterly Report (Election Sensitive): )  
AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL ) AF# 1888  
LABORATORY SCIENCE POLITICAL )  
ACTION COMMITTEE (FKA )  
ASMT/PAC), and LINDA HICKOK as )  
treasurer; )  
AMERICANS UNITED FOR FREEDOM ) AF# 1889  
(AUF) PAC, and BRANDON S LLOYD as )  
treasurer; )

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DOUG TUDOR FOR CONGRESS, and ) AF# 1894  
JON P TUDOR as treasurer; )

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METAL LATHERS LOCAL 46 PAC, and ) AF# 1897  
ROBERT LEDWITH as treasurer; )

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SALAZAR COMISIONADO 2008, and ) AF# 1900  
LUIS SALAZAR as treasurer; )  
SIERRA PACIFIC EMPLOYEES ) AF# 1902  
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, and )  
VINSKI, JOHN as treasurer; )  
ST. LOUISANS FOR BETTER ) AF# 1904  
GOVERNMENT, and SANDMEL, )  
SHELDON as treasurer; )

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UGI CORPORATION POLITICAL  
ACTION COMMITTEE (UGI/PAC), and  
GREGORY MICHAEL BUCKS as  
treasurer;

AF# 1905

CERTIFICATION

I, Mary W. Dove, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on March 04, 2009 the Commission took the following actions on the Administrative Fines Final Determination Recommendation for the October Quarterly Report (Election Sensitive) as recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's Memorandum dated February 26, 2009, on the following committees:

AF#1888 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) make a final determination that AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (FKA ASMT/PAC), and LINDA HICKOK as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess the civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1889 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) make a final determination that AMERICANS UNITED FOR FREEDOM (AUF) PAC, and BRANDON S LLOYD as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess the civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1894 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) make a final determination that DOUG TUDOR FOR CONGRESS, and JON P TUDOR as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess the civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#1897 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) make a final determination that METAL LATHERS LOCAL 46 PAC, and ROBERT LEDWITH as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess the civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1900 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) make a final determination that SALAZAR COMISIONADO 2008, and LUIS SALAZAR as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess the civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1902 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) make a final determination that SIERRA PACIFIC EMPLOYEES POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, and VINSKI, JOHN as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess the civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1904 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) make a final determination that ST. LOUISANS FOR BETTER GOVERNMENT, and SANDMEL, SHELDON as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess the civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1905 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) make a final determination that UGI CORPORATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (UGI/PAC), and GREGORY

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March 04, 2009

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MICHAEL BUCKS as treasurer , violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and assess the civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Wcintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

March 5, 2009  
Date

Mary W. Dove  
Mary W. Dove  
Secretary of the Commission

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 12, 2009

John Vinski as Treasurer  
Sierra Pacific Employees Political Action Committee  
P.O. Box 81500  
Las Vegas, NV 89180

C00153379  
AF#: 1902

Dear Mr. Vinski:

On December 10, 2008, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Sierra Pacific Employees Political Action Committee and you as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for filing late or failing to file the 2008 October Quarterly Report. By letter dated December 11, 2008, the Commission sent you notification of the RTB finding that included a civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage of **\$450** in accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

On January 21, 2009, the FEC received payment of your civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage. The FEC made a final determination on March 4, 2009 that you as treasurer and Sierra Pacific Employees Political Action Committee violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a), assessed a civil money penalty in the amount of **\$450** in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, and voted to close the file.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. The file will be made a part of the public record pursuant to 11 C.F.R. § 111.42(b). Although the file must be placed on the public record within thirty (30) days from the date of the Commission's notification, this could occur at anytime following certification of the Commission's vote.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Rhiannon Magruder on our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130.

On behalf of the Commission,

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Steven T. Walther  
Chairman

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