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*Re: MURs 5311 and 5312; Gore/Lieberman, Inc.
and Jose Villarreal, as treasurer*

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Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter is to request an extension of time to respond on behalf of our client, Gore/Lieberman, Inc. and Jose Villarreal, as treasurer, to the complaints filed in the above-captioned MURs, for the reasons set forth below.

An extension is necessary in these two matters, given the timing of the responses due to the Commission. Both responses would ordinarily be due in the immediate pre-election period later this month. However, because of the passage of time since the transactions in question allegedly transpired and because the individuals who may have relevant factual information are traveling for and working on the 2002 elections, additional time is necessary to prepare responses in these matters.

Accordingly, we respectfully request an additional twenty (20) days to respond to these matters, making the responses in MURs 5311 and 5312 due on November 12, 2002 (one week after Election Day). We appreciate your consideration of this request.

There is one additional matter that we have repeatedly drawn to the attention of the General Counsel's Office and do so again herein. Although these two MURs were filed by the same complainant against our client at the same time, only one of them was sent by your office to our firm, as counsel of record and as designated previously in our blanket designation of counsel. The other complaint was sent directly to our client.

We again request that, when sending notifications of any type pertaining to this Committee and its principals, your office adhere to the blanket designation of counsel

previously filed. We have had numerous conversations and correspondence with your office as to this matter, and we would appreciate your continued attention to and cooperation with this request.

Sincerely,



Eric F. Kleinfeld