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Scott E. Thomas, Chairman
Federal Election Commission
999 E St., NW
Washington, D.C. 20463

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Re 2001 Election Related Contributions

Dear Chairman Thomas:

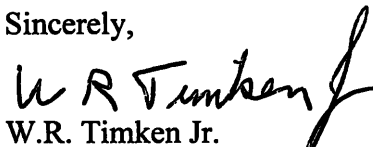
I write to inform the Federal Election Commission (the "Commission") of my recent discovery that I inadvertently exceeded the individual annual aggregate federal campaign contribution limit in 2001, and to set forth for the Commission the affirmative steps I have taken to remedy this oversight.

In late July of 2005 it came to my attention that in 2001 I made contributions to federal candidates, state parties, and political action committees that in total exceeded the annual aggregate limit on individual contributions allowable under the Federal Election Campaign Act ("FECA") at that time. Although my contributions would not have exceeded the aggregate limits under current law, as the Commission is aware the aggregate individual limit for the 2001 calendar year was \$25,000 (2 U.S.C. §441a (a)(3)). In 2001 I unknowingly exceeded this limit by \$6,499.

Upon learning this information I immediately sought to bring my 2001 total contribution amount into compliance with the federal limit; I sought and received refunds in order to do so. On July 26 and 27, 2005 I received refunds from certain recipients of my 2001 contributions in the amount of \$6,499, which brought my aggregate contribution amount for 2001 into compliance with the FECA.

As a final corrective measure, I now write to disclose the above series of events to the Commission. I make this disclosure in good faith, and will comply with any further action the Commission may prescribe.

Sincerely,


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