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MEMORANDUM

September 13, 2007

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Patrina M. Clark
Staff Director

FROM: John D. Gibson
Chief Compliance Officer

Deborah Ruth Kant
Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 413 Van Taylor for Congress and Roy Giddens, Treasurer,
Recommendation to Assign¹

ADR Case: ADR 413

Source No. RR 07L-30

Respondents:
Van Taylor for Congress
Roy Giddens, Treasurer

Respondents' Rep.:
Roy Giddens

Referral: OGC

Committee Name: Van Taylor for Congress

Date Referral Filed: 8/28/07

Committee Type: Authorized

Date Forwarded to ADRO: 9/06/07

District #/or State: TX, 17th.Dist.

Election Cycle: 2006

Election - Won/Lost: Lost - General

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Summary: Treasurers of political committees are required to report all financial activity, including all disbursements, pursuant to the FECA. 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(a)(1), 434(b)(4), 11 C.F.R. §§ 104.1, 104.3(b). RAD referred Van Taylor for Congress and Roy Giddens, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to disclose all financial activity on their 2006 12 Day Pre-General and 2006 30 Day Post-General Reports. Respondents filed the amended reports for the 2006 Pre-General and the 2006 30 Day Post-General on January 30, 2007, disclosing additional disbursements for the former of \$102,808.40 (a 57.6% increase from the original report) and additional disbursements of \$58,836.58 for the latter report (a 21.4% increase).²

In an electronic submission to RAD, the Committee explained that the increased disbursements for the 2006 12 Day Pre-General was the result of one missed media buy and that the two other electronic funds transfers were reported. The Committee further stated that there was a failure of communication between staff and the person who filed the report. The Committee added that the timing of the due date of the report exacerbated the problem and that there was no available bank statement for reconciliation. The Committee did not respond to the RFAI relating to the increased disbursements for the 30 Day Post-General Report.

RECOMMENDATION:

- Assign ADR 413/RR 07L-30 to the ADR Office.**