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MEMORANDUM

April 28, 2008

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Patrina M. Clark *one*
Staff Director

FROM: John D. Gibson *JG*
Chief Compliance Officer

Deborah Ruth Kant *DRK*
Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 436 United Association Political Education Committee and William P. Hite, Treasurer, Recommendation to Approve Settlement Agreement

RESOLUTION TERMS: Audit certifications; FEC training; additional compliance staff for reporting; and civil penalty of \$2,625.

Attached for your review is a signed negotiated ADR Settlement Agreement pertaining to ADR 436 (RAD 07L-55). This case was received by the ADR Office on January 9, 2008, and was assigned to the ADR Office on February 28, 2008.¹

SUMMARY: A committee may be referred for audit under the Act if the cumulative nature of the reporting errors reveals the committee is not in substantial compliance with the law. 2 U.S.C. § 438(b). The Reports Analysis Division referred the Respondents (or "the Committee") for cumulative errors during the 2006 election cycle. These errors involved mathematical discrepancies, a failure to itemize contributions from individuals, as well as a failure to report correctly re-designated contributions. Respondents' reports also disclosed excessive and/or otherwise prohibited contributions.

¹ On this date, the ADR assignment process was modified. Assignments are automatic without a Commission vote.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the attached settlement agreement of United Association Political Education Committee and William P. Hite, Treasurer.
2. Approve the appropriate letters.
3. Close the file on this matter.

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