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**MEMORANDUM**

November 2, 2009

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Alec Palmer  
Acting Staff Director *AP*

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

Lynn M. Fraser  
Director, ADR Office *LMF*

SUBJECT: ADR 505 Democratic Party of Oregon and Laura Calvo, Treasurer  
Recommendation to Approve Settlement Agreement

RESOLUTION TERMS: Attend FEC Conference; formalize operational and training programs; and  
pay a civil penalty of \$1,000 (\$244,262 in dispute)

Attached for your review is a signed negotiated ADR Settlement Agreement pertaining to **ADR 505 (RAD 09L-27)**. The ADR Office received this referral on July 24, 2009.

**SUMMARY:** In this case, RAD referred the Democratic Party of Oregon and Laura Calvo, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to disclose all financial activity on their 2008 12 Day Pre-General Report. The Committee filed several amended 2008 12 Day Pre-General Reports beginning on November 25, 2008 resulting in additional receipts of \$244,262.78.

Respondents acknowledge reporting issues due to significant internet server problems, resulting in an inability for the Committee to maintain its internet connection. The Committee informed the Commission of the connection problems moments after filing its original 2008 Pre-General Report, as it had concerns about lost and/or duplicated transactions. After several weeks of working on the issue, it was determined that the problem was with the internet service provider, and not with the Committee's system. The possibility of corrupted, lost or duplicated data required Respondents to conduct a thorough audit of all reports filed during this period to ensure the record was complete and correct.

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