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BY FACSIMILE & MAIL

Lawrence M. Noble, Esquire
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: MUR 4250

Dear Mr. Noble:

I write on behalf of the National Policy Forum in response to the "amendment" to the Democratic National Committee's complaint referenced above.

The "amendment," which is nothing more than a hearsay account of various, often inaccurate news media reports, adds nothing of substance to the DNC's prior submission. While the DNC cites to a number of statutory and regulatory provisions, as demonstrated in the National Policy Forum's initial response, none of these provisions has any application to the National Policy Forum, which is not an "arm" of the Republican National Committee. Instead, it is a non-profit District of Columbia corporation, which was a forum for the exchange of ideas. The National Policy Forum has never engaged in electioneering of any sort; it has never endorsed or contributed to a candidate; it has never run political advertising.

Rather than engage in a point-by-point discussion of the misguided rhetoric in the DNC's amendment, the National Policy Forum refers the Commission to its initial response, which fully debunks the DNC's claims.

Sincerely,



Thomas E. Wilson

cc: Mr. Haley Barbour (By FAX)

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