



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

JUN 15 2001

Maria Chappa, Treasurer
Zimmer 2000, Inc.
P.O. Box 6888
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

RE: MUR 5128
Zimmer 2000, Inc., and
Maria Chappa, as treasurer

Dear Ms. Chappa:

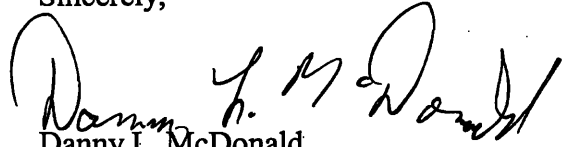
On June 1, 2001, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that Zimmer 2000, Inc., and you, as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b), a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission also determined to take no further action and closed its file. The Commission also found that there is no reason to believe that Zimmer 2000, Inc., and you, as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f). The General Counsel's Report, which formed a basis for the Commission's finding, is enclosed for your information.

The Commission advises that Zimmer 2000 should amend its October 20, 2000 48 Hour Notice to remove the \$66,500 entry as a "contribution/ loan." The Commission reminds you that improper reporting of party coordinated expenditures is a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 434(b) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a)(3)(iii). You should take steps to ensure that this activity does not occur in the future.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan L. Lebeaux, the Assistant General Counsel assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,


Danny L. McDonald
Chairman

Enclosure
General Counsel's Report

cc: Mr. Dick Zimmer
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