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MEMORANDUM

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TO: The Commission

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Acting Staff Director

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Chief Compliance Officer

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Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 533 Connecticut Democratic State Central Committee and Emma
Pierce, Treasurer, Informational Memo on Assignment

The Reports Analysis Division referred RAD 09L-51 for processing on December 23, 2009, and the ADR Office designated the referral as ADR 533. We included a summary and discussion of the referral for your information. We anticipate initiating communication with Respondents in ADR 533 on January 4, 2010. Please contact Lynn Fraser if you have any questions or concerns before then.

Summary of Case: The Reports Analysis Division referred the Connecticut Democratic State Central Committee and Emma Pierce, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for, in part 1 of the referral, a series of reporting errors and other FECA violations during the 2008 election cycle. A political committee may be referred if, after an internal review of reports filed by the committee, the Commission determines the reports do not meet the threshold requirements for substantial compliance with the FECA. The Committee's errors included, among other things: mathematical discrepancies; a failure to provide supporting schedules; and allocation issues between Federal and non-federal activity.

Part 2 of the referral was based on a failure to disclose all financial activity on the Committee's 2008 30 Day Post-General Report. Respondents filed a series of amended 2008 30 Day Post-General Reports resulting in increased receipts of \$126,491.83.

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Respondents contend that the increase in activity was due to a combination of errors and omissions by staff.

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