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**SENT VIA FACSIMILE AND FIRST-CLASS MAIL**

Jamila Wyatt, Esq.  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20463

**Re: MUR 5150**

Dear Ms. Wyatt:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation, we am confirming on behalf of the Missouri Democratic State Committee our request for an extension of time to respond to the Commission's Factual and Legal Analysis accompanying Chairman Wold's letter dated November 16, 2000. The Committee agrees to toll the statute of limitations for the 20-day period of the extension.

As indicated on the Designation of Counsel, Perkins Coie was retained to represent the Committee in this matter on November 29, 2000. We request an extension of time so that we may review the issues raised in this matter with our client, and gather any additional facts necessary for a response. Committee staff have been extremely busy with election activities and report preparation. Moreover, several highly unusual circumstances, including the death of Governor Mel Carnahan and the uncertainty surrounding the outcome of the national election, have added to the chaos that the Committee normally must confront at the end of an election season. We therefore reaffirm our request for an additional twenty days to respond until January 2, 2001.

Sincerely,



B. Holly Schadler

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Counsel to Respondents

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