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TO: The Commission

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SUBJECT: MUR 7677 (James R. Schwartz II)

Pre-Probable Cause Conciliation Agreement

Attached is a conciliation agreement negotiated with James R. Schwartz II that seeks to settle the Commission's findings that there was reason to believe that Schwartz knowingly and willfully violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30102(c), 30103(b), (c), 30104(b), 30114(b)(1) and 11 C.F.R. §§ 102.2(a)(1), (2), 102.9, and 104.3, 104.14(d) by knowingly converted campaign funds to personal use and causing the Committee to inaccurately report its receipts, disbursements, cash-

 §§ 102.2(a)(1), (2), 102.9, and 104.3, 104.14(d) by knowingly converted campaign funds to personal use and causing the Committee to inaccurately report its receipts, disbursements, cashon-hand, the identity of the Committee's treasurer and other information while he functioned as treasurer.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Accept the attached conciliation agreement with James R. Schwartz II;

We believe the attached conciliation agreement represents a reasonable settlement under

the circumstances. Therefore, we recommend that the Commission accept the attached, signed

conciliation agreement negotiated with Schwartz, approve the appropriate letters, and close the

- 2. Approve the appropriate letters; and
- 3. Close the file.