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November 19, 1986

Mr. Thomas E. Atkins, Municipal Manager  
Township of Scotch Plains  
510 Park Avenue  
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Re: The New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures  
Reporting Act, Chapter 83, Laws of 1973 as Amended and  
Supplemented ("the Act")  
Your letter dated October 24, 1986  
Advisory Opinion 9-1986

Dear Mr. Atkins:

Your letter dated October 24, 1986, including a request for  
advisory opinion, has been forwarded to me for reply.

The Commission has received a complaint dated October 20, 1986  
with respect to the newsletters which were the subject of your  
opinion request. That complaint, as any other, will be investigated  
by the staff of the Commission. Pending the conclusion of that  
investigation, the Commission will not be able to issue an advisory  
opinion on the question you raised. Accordingly you are advised that  
the Commission is not able to provide you an opinion that the  
newsletters you described are not political in nature, or that they  
do not constitute in-kind contributions required to be reported under  
the Act.

Very truly yours,

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