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To whom it may concern,

Regarding the Providence Trust listed on my 2014 financial disclosure. Please note the change we have made on the disclosure form reflecting your request. The original disclosure reflected the value of 50 Million Shares of Trinity Petroleum stock as indicated. The amendment will now show that 30 million shares of the stock are held within the Providence Trust (this Trust is also indicated in the original disclosure) and 20 million shares are held by me personally. While the collective value of the shares was indicated previously, it is now divided into two separate listings.

During the discussion about the subject above with your offices, we reviewed the entire disclosure form and were subsequently advised that two additional items should be added.

Therefore, please note that we are also adding to the disclosure two mortgages on two different homes I own personally. Since both of the homes indicated are valued in excess of the mortgages indicated and I received no rental income from either of the homes, neither seems to be a reportable item on this disclosure. Two separate provisions in the written instructions for this type of disclosure seemed to be in contradiction. Your call records will probably reflect that we had sought guidance on each of the items addressed in this letter in previous years and followed the guidance given to us at that time.

Given these changes on the present disclosure form for 2014, can you give us guidance as to any amendments you deem necessary to disclosures we have submitted in previous years?

Thank you in advance for your professionalism and kind assistance.

Respectfully,

  
Trent Franks  
Member of Congress

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