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an amount equal to the amount specified.

(5) *Unspent funds.* (i) If any portion of the payment under 11 CFR 9008.4 remains unspent after all convention expenses have been paid, that portion shall be returned to the Secretary of the Treasury.

(ii) The national committee or convention committee shall make an interim repayment of unspent funds based on the financial position of the committee as of the end of the ninth month following the last day of the convention, allowing for a reasonable amount as determined by the Commission to be withheld for unanticipated contingencies. The interim repayment shall be made no later than 30 calendar days after the end of the ninth month following the last day of the convention. If, after written request by the national committee or convention committee, the Commission determines, upon review of evidence presented by either committee, that amounts previously refunded are needed to defray convention expenses, the Commission shall certify such amount for payment.

(iii) All unspent funds shall be repaid to the U.S. Treasury no later than 24 months after the last day of the convention, unless the national committee has been granted an extension of time. The Commission may grant any extension of time it deems appropriate upon request of the national committee.

(6) *Income on investments of payments from the Fund.* If the Commission determines that the national committee or the convention committee received any income as a result of investment or other use of payments from the Fund pursuant to 11 CFR 9008.7(a)(5), it shall so notify the committee and the committee shall pay to the United States Treasury an amount equal to the amount determined to be income, less any Federal, State or local taxes on such income.

(7) The Commission may seek repayment, or may initiate an enforcement action, if the convention committee knowingly helps, assists or participates in the making of a convention expenditure by the host committee, government agency or municipal corporation which is not in accordance with 11 CFR

9008.52 or 9008.53, or the acceptance of a contribution by the host committee or government agency or municipal corporation from an impermissible source, such as a nonlocal business.

(c) *Repayment determination procedures.* The Commission will follow the same repayment determination procedures, and the committee has the same rights and obligations as are provided for repayment determinations involving publicly funded candidates under 11 CFR 9007.2 (c) through (h).

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§ 9008.13 Additional audits.

In accordance with 11 CFR 104.16(c), the Commission, pursuant to 11 CFR 111.10, may upon affirmative vote of four members conduct an audit and field investigation of any committee in any case in which the Commission finds reason to believe that a violation of a statute or regulation over which the Commission has jurisdiction has occurred or is about to occur.

§ 9008.14 Petitions for rehearing; stays of repayment determinations.

Petitions for rehearing following the Commission's repayment determination and requests for stays of repayment determinations will be governed by the procedures set forth at 11 CFR 9007.5 and 9038.5. The Commission will afford convention committees the same rights as are provided to publicly funded candidates under 11 CFR 9007.5 and 9038.5.

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§ 9008.15 Extensions of time.

(a) It is the policy of the Commission that extensions of time under 11 CFR part 9008 will not be routinely granted.

(b) Whenever a committee has a right or is required to take action within a period of time prescribed by 11 CFR part 9008 or by notice given thereunder, the committee may apply in writing to the Commission for an extension of time in which to exercise such right or take such action. The committee shall demonstrate in the application for extension that good cause exists for its request.

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(c) An application for extension of time shall be made at least 7 calendar days prior to the expiration of the time period for which the extension is sought. The Commission may, upon a showing of good cause, grant an extension of time to a committee that has applied for such extension in a timely manner. The length of time of any extension granted hereunder shall be decided by the Commission and may be less than the amount of time sought by the committee in its application.

(d) If a committee fails to seek an extension of time, exercise a right or take a required action prior to the expiration of a time period prescribed by 11 CFR part 9008, the Commission may, on the committee's showing of excusable neglect:

(1) Permit such committee to exercise its right(s), or take such required action(s) after the expiration of the prescribed time period; and

(2) Take into consideration any information obtained in connection with the exercise of any such right or taking of any such action before making decisions or determinations under 11 CFR part 9008.

§ 9008.16 Stale-dated committee checks.

If the committee has checks outstanding that have not been cashed, the committee shall notify the Commission. The committee shall inform the Commission of its efforts to locate the payees, if such efforts have been necessary, and its efforts to encourage the payees to cash the outstanding checks. The committee shall also submit a check for the total amount of such outstanding checks, payable to the United States Treasury.

Subpart B—Host Committees Representing a Convention City; Convention Expenditures by Government Agencies and Municipal Corporations

§ 9008.50 Scope.

Subpart B governs registration and reporting by host committees representing convention cities and by government agencies and municipalities. Unsuccessful efforts to attract a con-

vention need not be reported by any city, committee or other organization. Subpart B also describes permissible sources of funds and other permissible donations to host committees, government agencies and municipal corporations. In addition, subpart B describes permissible expenditures by government agencies, municipal corporations and host committees to defray convention expenses and to promote the convention city and its commerce.

§ 9008.51 Registration and reports.

(a) *Registration by host committees.* (1) Each committee, including a host committee, other organization or group of persons which represents a State, municipality, local government agency or other political subdivision in dealing with officials of a national political party with respect to matters involving a presidential nominating convention shall register with the Commission on the Convention Registration Form within 10 days of the date on which such party chooses the convention city. The following information shall be required of the registrant: the name and address; the name and address of its officers; and a list of the activities which the registering entity plans to undertake in connection with the convention.

(2) Any such committee, organization or group which is unsuccessful in its efforts to attract the convention to a city need not register under this section.

(b) *Post-convention and quarterly reports by host committees; content and time of filing.* (1) Each committee, organization or group required to register under this section shall file a post convention report with the Commission on FEC Form 4. The report shall be filed on the earlier of: 60 days following the last day the convention is officially in session; or 20 days prior to the presidential general election. This report shall disclose all receipts and disbursements, including in-kind contributions, made with respect to a presidential nominating convention.

(2) If such committee, organization or group has receipts or makes disbursements after the completion date of the post convention report, it shall begin to file quarterly reports no later