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which a trade association may use. The member corporation may not use a payroll deduction or checkoff system for executive or administrative personnel contributing to the separate segregated fund of the trade association.

(4) A trade association and/or its separate segregated fund is subject to the provisions of § 114.5(a).

(f) *Solicitation of a subsidiary corporation.* If a parent corporation is a member of the trade association but its subsidiary is not, the trade association or its separate segregated fund may only solicit the parent's executive or administrative personnel and their families and the parent's stockholders and their families; it may not solicit the subsidiary's executive or administrative personnel or stockholders or their families. If a subsidiary is a member of the trade association but the parent corporation is not, the trade association or its separate segregated fund may only solicit the subsidiary's executive or administrative personnel and their families and the subsidiary's stockholders and their families; it may not solicit the parent's executive or administrative personnel or stockholders or their families. If both parent and subsidiary are members of the trade association, the executive or administrative personnel and their families and the stockholders and their families of each may be solicited.

(g) *Federations of trade associations.* (1) A federation of trade associations is an organization representing trade associations involved in the same or allied line of commerce. Such a federation may, subject to the following limitations, solicit the members of the federation's regional, State or local affiliates or members, provided that all of the political committees established, financed, maintained or controlled by the federation and its regional, State, or local affiliates or members are considered one political committee for the purposes of the limitations in §§ 110.1 and 110.2. The factors set forth at § 100.5(g)(4) shall be used to determine whether an entity is a regional, State or local affiliate of a federation of trade associations.

(i) The federation and its member associations may engage in a joint solicitation; or

(ii) The member association may delegate its solicitation rights to the federation.

(2) A federation is subject to the provisions of this section when soliciting the stockholders and executive or administrative personnel of the corporate members of its member associations.

(h) *Communications other than solicitations.* A trade association may make communications, other than solicitations, to its members and their families under the provisions of § 114.3. When making communications to a member which is a corporation, the trade association may communicate with the representatives of the corporation with whom the trade association normally conducts the association's activities.

(i) *Trade association employees.* (1) A trade association may communicate with its executive or administrative personnel and their families under the provisions of § 114.3; a trade association may communicate with its other employees under the provisions of § 114.4.

(2) A trade association may solicit its executive or administrative personnel and their families under the provisions of § 114.5(g); a trade association may solicit its other employees under the provisions of § 114.6.

(2 U.S.C. 441b, 437d(a)(8))

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### **§ 114.9 Use of corporate or labor organization facilities and means of transportation.**

(a) *Use of corporate facilities for individual volunteer activity by stockholders and employees.* (1) Stockholders and employees of the corporation may, subject to the rules and practices of the corporation, make occasional, isolated, or incidental use of the facilities of a corporation for individual volunteer activity in connection with a Federal election and will be required to reimburse the corporation only to the extent that the overhead or operating costs of the corporation are increased. As used in

this paragraph, *occasional, isolated, or incidental use* generally means—

(i) When used by employees during working hours, an amount of activity during any particular work period which does not prevent the employee from completing the normal amount of work which that employee usually carries out during such work period; or

(ii) When used by stockholders other than employees during the working period, such use does not interfere with the corporation in carrying out its normal activities; but

(iii) Any such activity which does not exceed one hour per week or four hours per month, regardless of whether the activity is undertaken during or after normal working hours, shall be considered as occasional, isolated, or incidental use of the corporate facilities.

(2) A stockholder or employee who makes more than occasional, isolated, or incidental use of a corporation's facilities for individual volunteer activities in connection with a Federal election is required to reimburse the corporation within a commercially reasonable time for the normal and usual rental charge, as defined in 11 CFR 100.52(d)(2), for the use of such facilities.

(b) *Use of labor organization facilities for individual volunteer activity by officials, members and employees.* (1) The officials, members, and employees of a labor organization may, subject to the rules and practices of the labor organization, make occasional, isolated, or incidental use of the facilities of a labor organization for individual volunteer activity in connection with a Federal election and will be required to reimburse the labor organization only to the extent that the overhead or operating costs of the labor organization are increased. As used in this paragraph, *occasional, isolated, or incidental use* generally means—

(i) When used by employees during working hours, an amount of activity during any particular work period which does not prevent the employee from completing the normal amount of work which that employee usually carries out during such work period; or

(ii) When used by members other than employees during the working period, such use does not interfere with

the labor organization in carrying out its normal activities; but

(iii) Any such activity which does not exceed one hour per week or four hours per month, regardless of whether the activity is undertaken during or after normal working hours, shall be considered as occasional, isolated, or incidental use of the labor organization facilities.

(2) The officials, members, and employees who make more than occasional, isolated, or incidental use of a labor organization's facilities for individual volunteer activities in connection with a Federal election are required to reimburse the labor organization within a commercially reasonable time for the normal and usual rental charge, as defined in 11 CFR 100.52(d)(2), for the use of such facilities.

(c) *Use of corporate or labor organization facilities to produce materials.* Any person who uses the facilities of a corporation or labor organization to produce materials in connection with a Federal election is required to reimburse the corporation or labor organization within a commercially reasonable time for the normal and usual charge for producing such materials in the commercial market.

(d) *Use or rental of corporate or labor organization facilities by other persons.* Persons, other than those specifically mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, who make any use of corporate or labor organization facilities, such as by using telephones or typewriters or borrowing office furniture, for activity in connection with a Federal election are required to reimburse the corporation or labor organization within a commercially reasonable time in the amount of the normal and usual rental charge, as defined in 11 CFR 100.52(d)(2), for the use of the facilities.

(e) *Use of airplanes and other means of transportation.* (1) A candidate, candidate's agent, or person traveling on behalf of a candidate who uses an airplane which is owned or leased by a corporation or labor organization other than a corporation or labor organization licensed to offer commercial services for travel in connection with a

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Federal election must, in advance, reimburse the corporation or labor organization—

(i) In the case of travel to a city served by regularly scheduled commercial service, the first class air fare;

(ii) In the case of travel to a city not served by a regularly scheduled commercial service, the usual charter rate.

(2) A candidate, candidate’s agent, or person traveling on behalf of a candidate who uses other means of transportation owned or leased by a corporation or labor organization must reimburse, within a commercially reasonable time, the corporation or labor organization at the normal and usual rental charge.

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EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 68 FR 69595, December 15, 2003, §114.9 was amended by revising the section heading and removing and reserving paragraph (e), effective January 14, 2004. For the convenience of the user, the revised text is set forth below:

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§ 114.10 Nonprofit corporations exempt from the prohibitions on making independent expenditures and electioneering communications.

(a) Scope. This section describes those nonprofit corporations that qualify for an exemption in 11 CFR 114.2. It sets out the procedures for demonstrating qualified nonprofit corporation status, for reporting independent expenditures and electioneering communications, and for disclosing the potential use of donations for political purposes.

(b) Definitions. For the purposes of this section—

(1) The promotion of political ideas includes issue advocacy, election influencing activity, and research, training or educational activity that is expressly tied to the organization’s political goals.

(2) A corporation’s express purpose includes:

(i) The corporation’s purpose as stated in its charter, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, except that a statement such as “any lawful purpose,”

“any lawful activity,” or other comparable statement will not preclude a finding under paragraph (c) of this section that the corporation’s only express purpose is the promotion of political ideas;

(ii) The corporation’s purpose as publicly stated by the corporation or its agents; and

(iii) Purposes evidenced by activities in which the corporation actually engages.

(3)(i) The term business activities includes but is not limited to:

(A) Any provision of goods or services that results in income to the corporation; and

(B) Advertising or promotional activity which results in income to the corporation, other than in the form of membership dues or donations.

(ii) The term business activities does not include fundraising activities that are expressly described as requests for donations that may be used for political purposes, such as supporting or opposing candidates.

(4) The term shareholder has the same meaning as the term stockholder, as defined in 11 CFR 114.1(h).

(c) Qualified nonprofit corporations. For the purposes of this section, a qualified nonprofit corporation is a corporation that has all the characteristics set forth in paragraphs (c)(1) through (c)(5) of this section:

(1) Its only express purpose is the promotion of political ideas, as defined in paragraph (b)(1) of this section;

(2) It cannot engage in business activities;

(3) It has:

(i) No shareholders or other persons, other than employees and creditors with no ownership interest, affiliated in any way that could allow them to make a claim on the organization’s assets or earnings; and

(ii) No persons who are offered or who receive any benefit that is a disincendive for them to disassociate themselves with the corporation on the basis of the corporation’s position on a political issue. Such benefits include but are not limited to:

(A) Credit cards, insurance policies or savings plans; and

(B) Training, education, or business information, other than that which is