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~~Ingrid Armada, President~~  
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Re: LM #083-994

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Dear Ms. Armada:

This office has recently completed an audit of the NALC Branch 15 under the Compliance Audit Program (CAP) to determine your organization's compliance with the provisions of the Labor-Management Reporting and Compliance Act of 1959, as Amended (LMRDA). As discussed during the exit interview with you on December 30, 2004 the following problem was disclosed during the CAP. The matter listed below is not an exhaustive list of all possible problem areas since the audit conducted was limited in scope.

The CAP disclosed that the union's 12/31/2003 Labor Organization Annual Report, LM-3 was deficient and did not meet the standards of acceptability in violations of LMRDA Section 201(b). Specifically, Item 24 All Officers and Disbursements, did not report all payments to officers next to the officer's name and Line 10 of Item 24 did not report the deductions, resulting in gross wages being reported in Item 45 instead of net wages. Also any expenses pertaining to office and administrative expenditures (utilities, insurance, supplies...) are reportable in Item 48 Office and Administrative Expenses. An amended LM-3 Report for 12/31/2003 is required to be filed within two weeks. Please send the original amended report to my attention at the above address within two weeks. The deficiencies were also discussed with the Local's accountant Edward DiMartino who prepared the LM-3 Report.

I want to extend my personal appreciation for the cooperation and courtesy extended by you during this compliance audit. If we can be of any assistance in the future, please do not hesitate to call 617-664-6698.

Sincerely,

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investigator