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Comment: As a regular contributor to the candidates of my choice through ActBlue, and a long time supporter of publicly financed elections (I always check the box on my tax return), I am appalled that my contributions may not be considered individual gifts eligible for matching.

I urge the Commission to reject Draft AO 2007-31, and permit individual credit card contributions made online through ActBlue to be matched under the Matching Fund Act.

I believe the Commission should be removing obstacles for presidential candidates to participate in the matching funds system. The Commission should be embracing new technologies and grassroots financing of presidential campaigns. Draft AO 2007-31, on the other hand, would have the Commission erect new barriers to participation in matching funds.

Thank you.

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