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Dear Federal Election Committee Profesional,

I am very sorry indeed to hear of your ruling that contributions made to John Edwards via ActBlue won't get Federal Matching Funds. I think this is unjust and not in keeping with the spirit, if not the letter, of Federal election law. When I made my contributions to ActBlue, I conformed to standards that were identical to those for contributions to John Edwards in 2004 - when contributions were not processed by ActBlue. My name, address, and other contact information, my employment status, the fact that the funds contributed were from my own earnings, that I was not a Federal contractor, etc were all part of the public record of my contributions. All the information needed to tell if my contribution was legitimate was collected by the website.

I most certainly hope that the fact that ActBlue is a site serving progressive candidates would have nothing to do with what I believe is an unfair ruling by the FEC. Given the extremely politicized nature of our present Executive branch, I have serious concerns that the FEC may be expressing political bias. I'm sure this troubling suspicion is shared by many others. Surely, the FEC as a putatively nonpartisan body was created to guard against corruption, not to further it. If it is the later, eventually we will all suffer for it, though those caught being involved in furthering the corruption should suffer more

direct legal consequences.

Sincerely,

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