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Comment: I am writing to urge the Commission to reject Draft AO 2007-31.

Please permit individual credit card contributions made online through ActBlue to be matched under the Matching Fund Act.

ActBlue is no more than a clearinghouse for individual contributions. It does not direct or dictate any contribution I make--I do that.

As a supporter of public financing, 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.

I understand that individuals' contributions through a presidential candidate's web site are readily matchable. Why should an online contribution through ActBlue be any less matchable? The draft advisory opinion barely addresses this question, much less provides an answer, and it should therefore be rejected by the Commission.

Thank you.

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