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Joan Claybrook, President

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Dear Senator Clinton:

We think that you will agree with us that campaign finance issues, including the discussion of the candidates' policies on accepting contributions from lobbyists and their positions on public funding, drew some of the most animated responses during last weekend's Yearly Kos debate.

Public Citizen commends your endorsement of public funding as the real answer to the scourge of special interests buying influence in Washington. We strongly disagree that a system of public funding of elections would require a constitutional amendment, and will be sending you a separate letter on that subject.

The purpose of this letter, however, is to call upon you to increase disclosure of your use of bundlers. Regrettably, your disclosure at present not only fails to set an exemplary standard, it even fails to live up to the standard of George Bush and Dick Cheney in 2004. Your campaign fails to disclose bundlers' cities and states of residence, how much money they raised other than to note that they have raised at least \$100,000, or who they raised their money from.

We hope you share our view that transparency is among the best ways to combat the undue influence of special interests. With that in mind, we are asking all of the presidential candidates who are using bundlers to aspire to the highest standards in disclosure of bundling activities by:

- Disclosing bundlers' identities (including cities and states of residence, and employers) on a prominent place on their campaign Web site that is easy for the public to locate;
- Disclosing amounts raised by each bundler within ranges of \$50,000, and promptly updating such information each time a bundler's fundraising exceeds a new threshold; and
- Disclosing the identities of individuals from whom bundlers raise money and the amounts contributed.

If your campaign agrees to these changes, please let us know so that we can update our Web site. Please contact Research Director Taylor Lincoln at [tlincoln@citizen.org](mailto:tlincoln@citizen.org) or 202-454-5197.

Respectfully,

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