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Ms. Elizabeth Murphy, Secretary Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street NE Washington, DC 20549-1090 Via electronic mail (rule-comments@sec.gov)

Re: File Number 4-637, Petition to Require Public Companies to Disclose to Shareholders the Use of Corporate Resources for Political Activities

Secretary Murphy:

I am writing as President of Macalester College to support the above-referenced Petition for Rulemaking filed by the Committee on Disclosure of Corporate Political Spending. Disclosure requirements are integral to effective shareholder accountability, as the Supreme Court has indicated in *Citizens United v. FEC*.

If the SEC chooses to act on the Petition for Rulemaking, Macalester College stands to gain the capacity to monitor more effectively the political activities of companies in which we hold shares through our institutional endowments, and thus discharge our responsibilities as a shareholder in a manner consistent with our institutional mission.

Accordingly, Macalester College urges the Commission to promptly initiate the rulemaking process requested in the Petition.

Sincerely,

Brian Rosenberg President