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Form 1024  
Attachment A

## **Part II, Line 1 Narrative Description of Activities and Operational Information**

Protect the Environment Now, Inc. ("PEN") is organized to develop and advocate for legislation, regulations, and government programs to improve the environment, protect natural resources, and stimulate the economy. PEN intends to develop technical and policy solutions for the growing problems of air and water pollution, workplace hazards, toxic waste generation and disposal, and degradation of topsoil. PEN will direct these efforts toward supporting preventative solutions to environmental problems through changing product content or production techniques to eliminate or reduce pollution while saving industry and society money and resources.

Specifically, PEN intends to initiate the following projects to accomplish these objectives. First, it will organize and operate a door-to-door canvass to educate the general public and advocate solutions about key environmental issues. The canvas will solicit funds to advance PEN's activities and request support, conduct letter-writing campaigns, and recruit activists for the accomplishment of PEN's legislative and programmatic goals. PEN will also communicate with the general public through phone canvasses and direct mail to raise funds and grassroots support for its programs.

Second, PEN will lobby state and local public and elected officials on environmental and economic reform to address key issues. Finally, PEN will prepare and distribute information to the general public about environmental problems, proposed legislative solutions and the state legislature's activities to address these issues. PEN will establish a newsletter to be published regularly and sent to canvass-generated members. In addition, the PEN will sponsor programs for the community, supporters, elected officials and activists on environmental issues and proposed solutions.

PEN's initial project is the organization of a household hazardous waste campaign to be implemented through the canvass and through work with city councils. This campaign, in conjunction with a statewide river and stream campaign stemming from recent research into discharges and contamination, will be the primary focus of PEN's research and education in the coming years.

The Corporation intends to organize coalitions of grassroots environmentalists together with community leaders and technicians, to bring about preventative solutions to the growing environmental challenges and problems in the region. PEN will also organize task forces of technical experts working with community activists and public officials to study and propose solutions for specific environmental programs in the state. These proposals, subject to review and approval by the Board of Directors, will serve as a foundation for educating the general public, initiating reform, and implementing solutions.



federal or state election law agencies, but that could be deemed “attempts to influence the election and selection, nomination and appointment of persons to federal, state or local public office.” For example, in states where such activity is permissible under state election law, Protect the Environment Now, Inc. may provide grants to organizations that, as part of their activities, make independent expenditures in support of or against candidates for public office. Any political activity by Protect the Environment Now, Inc. will be conducted within the limits on political activity imposed by I.R.C. Section 501(c)(4) and Revenue Ruling 81-95.

**Part II, Line 16 – Published or Printed Materials**

The corporation may publish a newsletter and from time to time prepare pamphlets and other printed materials on issues and programs.