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FEC RELEASES SEVEN INVESTIGATIVE FILES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on seven matters it has had under review (MURs). This release contains only summary information. Closed files should be thoroughly read for details, including FEC's legal analysis, of the MUR. Please see footnote at the end of this release. Summary files of the closed cases are available in the Office of Public Records. They are as follows:

MUR NO.

1. 2623

RESPONDENTS: Californians for a Strong America, Albert Cook, treasurer (CA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure report timely
DISPOSITION: Probable cause to believe but take no further action*

2. 2790

RESPONDENTS: Massachusetts Republican State Committee, Lawrence Novak, treasurer (MA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Acceptance and deposit of excessive and possibly impermissible funds; failure to amend statement of organization timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$500 civil penalty*

3. 2818

RESPONDENTS: Friends of Randy Sutton, Richard Eugene MacCracken, treasurer (TX)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$950 civil penalty*

4. 2849

RESPONDENTS: Veterans of Foreign Wars Political Action Committee,
J. Douglas Forrest, treasurer (DC)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure report timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$925 civil penalty*

5. 2851

RESPONDENTS: Mantech International Corporation PAC, John M. Hughes,
treasurer (VA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$600 civil penalty*

6. 2863

RESPONDENTS: CARE Enterprises PAC, Ernest Nielsen, treasurer (UT)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure report timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$500 civil penalty*

7. 2866

RESPONDENTS: Massachusetts Freeze Voter, Paul Castleman, treasurer
(MA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure report timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$250 civil penalty*

*Following a complaint, the FEC may make a "reason to believe" finding which may trigger an investigation. Subsequently, the FEC may find "probable cause to believe" violation(s) occurred. An affirmative vote of at least four Commissioners is required for any action. At this stage the conciliation process could begin. If conciliation fails the FEC may institute a civil action for relief. The Commission may close a case at any point. For a complete explanation of the enforcement process - contact the FEC Press Office.

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