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FEC RELEASES THREE COMPLIANCE CASES

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

1. MUR 4044

RESPONDENTS: (a) Eddie Bernice Johnson for Congress, Pao-Ling W. Chen, treasurer (TX)
(b) Jason Justice (TX)
(c) Sandra Coaxum (TX)
(d) Lorlee Bartos (TX)
(e) Dr. Louis Deere (TX)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated (RAD)

SUBJECT: Failure to accurately report a PAC contribution; failure to file disclosure reports timely; failure to file 48-hour reports; excessive contributions; corporate contributions; failure to provide contributor information ("best efforts") and aggregate year-to-date totals; failure to itemize certain disbursements accurately

DISPOSITION: (a) Conciliation Agreement: \$44,000 civil penalty*
Committee will amend reports to provide contributor information and accurate itemization for disbursements.
(b-e) Reason to believe, but took no further action*
[re: excessive contributions]

2. MUR 4199

RESPONDENTS: (a) Valley Citizens for Accountability, John L. Rankin, treasurer (CA)
(b) Henry Broadcasting (KMJ) (CA)
(c) Joseph G. Freitas Farms (CA)
(d) Helm Bean & Seed Warehouse (CA)
(e) Jackson and Jackson Farms (CA)
(f) Gary Montgomery, D.V.M. (CA)
(g) Jeff Crivelli Farming Harvesting Co. (CA)
(h) H. P. Anderson & Son (CA)
(i) Mary Ann Anderson 1982 Trust (CA)
(j) Tri-Counties Equipment Co. (CA)
(k) Araujo Dairy Farms & Feeds (CA)
(l) Jackson and Associates (CA)
(m) Critchley Grape Harvesting (CA)
(n) Sierra Forest Products (CA)
(o) Starrh & Starrh Cotton Growers (CA)

- (p) Tri-Counties Walnut Co. (CA)
- (q) Myers Bros. Partnership (CA)
- (r) Youngfellow Farming Co. (CA)
- (s) Slover Bros. Trucking Co. (CA)
- (t) Callahan Construction Co. (CA)
- (u) C & J Spreading Service (CA)
- (v) J & R DeBenedetto Orchards (CA)
- (w) M. G. Maciel & Son Dairy (CA)
- (x) Ferguson Harvesting (CA)
- (y) Guthrie Petroleum (CA)
- (z) Doug Duston, D.V.M. (CA)
- (aa) Wilson Ag (CA)
- (bb) Knevelbaard Farms (CA)
- (cc) LK Ranches (CA)
- (dd) denDulk Farming Co. (CA)
- (ee) Brown's Dairy (CA)
- (ff) Esbeco Equipment Co. (CA)
- (gg) Coelho West (CA)
- (hh) Rodney W. Morton Ranch (CA)
- (ii) S-K Ranch (CA)
- (jj) George Bassett & Son (CA)
- (kk) 3-H Cattle Co. (CA)
- (ll) D and B Farming (CA)
- (mm) Hansen Farms (CA)
- (nn) Dutchman Farms (CA)
- (oo) Circle G. Farms (CA)
- (pp) Precision Engineering (CA)
- (qq) Hoffman Dairies (CA)
- (rr) Don Schroeder Farms (CA)
- (ss) Farmers Welding (CA)
- (tt) Jasmine Vineyards (CA)
- (uu) Hanse Farms (CA)
- (vv) Kay Equipment Co. (CA)
- (ww) Worth Farms (CA)
- (xx) Tom Martella Farms (CA)
- (yy) Mills Dairy (CA)
- (zz) Macy-L Holsteins (CA)
- (ab) Cantua Farms (CA)
- (ac) Sandrini Brothers (CA)
- (ad) Chroman Farms (CA)
- (ae) Mendonca Brothers (CA)
- (af) Manzanillo Ranch (CA)
- (ag) Phillips Grain Co. (CA)
- (ah) Triple D. Dairy (CA)

COMPLAINANTS: Tulare County Democratic Central Committee, Joseph

SUBJECT: Altschule, Vice-Chair (CA)

DISPOSITION: Failure to file disclosure report; failure to disclose contributions and expenditures; corporate contributions; failure to report partnership contributions accurately; failure to provide contributor information ("best efforts"); failure to file 24-hour reports; disclaimers (a-ah) Took no action*

3. MUR 4212

RESPONDENTS:

- (a) WBAP-KSCS Radio, Inc. (TX)
- (b) Mark Davis and Rush Limbaugh Show(s) (TX)
- (c) Tyler Cox, Program Director, WBAP-KSCS Radio, Inc. (TX)
- (d) Mark Davis (TX)
- (e) Rush Limbaugh (NY)
- (f) GTE Services Corporation (CT)
- (g) CompUSA (TX)
- (h) Greyhound Lines, Inc. (TX)
- (i) Luby's Cafeterias, Inc. (TX)
- (j) Mrs. Baird's Bakeries, Inc. (TX)
- (k) Southwestern Bell Telephone, Inc. (TX)
- (l) American Express, Inc. (NY)
- (m) Kelly-Moore Paint Company (CA)
- (n) Sears, Roebuck and Company (IL)
- (o) Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company (OH)
- (p) McDonald's, Inc. (IL)
- (q) General Motors Corporation (MI)

COMPLAINANT: Robert E. McCord (TX)

SUBJECT: Failure to register and report; corporate contributions

DISPOSITION: (a-q) Took no action*

*There are four administrative stages to the FEC enforcement process:
 1. Receipt of proper complaint
 2. "Reason to believe" stage
 3. "Probable cause" stage
 4. Conciliation stage
 It takes the votes of at least four of the six Commissioners to take any action. The FEC can close a case at any point after reviewing a complaint. If a violation is found and conciliation cannot be reached, then the FEC can institute a civil court action against a respondent.

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