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DATE & TIME OF TRANSMITTAL: Wednesday, July 27, 2005 4:00

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COMMISSIONER: MASON, McDONALD, SMITH, THOMAS, TONER, WEINTRAUB

SUBJECT: **ADR 282/RR 05L-16 – Rick Renzi for Congress and Nancy Watkins, Treasurer. Recommendation to Assign Case. Memorandum from the Director, ADR Office dated July 26, 2005.**

() I approve the recommendation(s)

() I object to the recommendation(s)

() I am recused from voting.

COMMENTS: _____

DATE: _____

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
MEMORANDUM

July 26, 2005

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: James A. Pehrkon
Staff Director 

FROM: Allan D. Silberman 
Director, ADR Office

BY: Lynn M. Fraser 
Assistant Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 282 Rick Renzi for Congress and Nancy Watkins, Treasurer
Recommendation to Assign Case

On July 8, 2005, the ADR Office received RR 05L-16 to review and determine its appropriateness for ADR processing. Based on that review, we determined that the case is appropriate for ADR and recommend that it be assigned to the ADR Office.

SUMMARY: RAD referred Rick Renzi for Congress and Nancy Watkins, Treasurer ("Respondents" or the "Committee") for failing to disclose all receipts on the Committee's 2004 April Quarterly Report. RAD alleged that Respondents filed an amended 2004 April Quarterly Report on May 5, 2004 that disclosed additional receipts aggregating \$99,681.94. The additional receipts resulted in a 48% increase in receipts over the original 2004 April Quarterly Report filed on April 14, 2005. In response to the related RFAI sent, the Committee stated that there was a glitch with the software that resulted in some financial activity from previous reporting periods being included again in the 2004 April Quarterly Report.

Attached for the Commission's review is the ADR Case Analysis Report, along with copies of the EPS Rating and ADR Rating reports. The ADR Case Analysis Report includes an analysis of the case and a description of the issues that the ADR Office anticipates addressing if the case is assigned to ADR. In addition, the ADR Case

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Analysis Report has been reviewed by the Office of General Counsel, which concurs in the description of the case.

If the Commission concurs in the recommendation, the above case description will be provided to Respondents as part of ADR Office's notification package sent to Respondents.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Assign ADR 282/RR 05L-16 to the ADR Office.

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ADR CASE ANALYSIS REPORT

ADR Case: 282

RAD Referral: 05L-16

Date Forwarded to ADRO: 7/8/05

Date Reviewed by ADRO: 7/20/05

Respondents:

Rick Renzi for Congress

Nancy Watkins, Treasurer

Respondents' Rep.: Nancy Watkins

Committee Type: Authorized

Committee Name: Rick Renzi for Congress

District & State: 1st C.D. AZ

Election Cycle: 2004

Summary of Referral: RAD referred Rick Renzi for Congress and Nancy Watkins, Treasurer ("Respondents" or the "Committee") for failing to disclose all receipts on the Committee's 2004 April Quarterly Report. RAD alleged that Respondents filed an amended 2004 April Quarterly Report on May 5, 2004 that disclosed additional receipts aggregating \$99,681.94. The additional receipts resulted in a 48% increase in receipts over the original 2004 April Quarterly Report filed on April 14, 2005.

Respondents' Reply to RAD: In response to the related RFAI sent, the Committee stated that there was a glitch with the software that resulted in some financial activity from previous reporting periods being included again in the 2004 April Quarterly Report.

Analysis: The FECA and the implementing regulations require that an authorized committee report all receipts for the reporting period, as well as for the election cycle.

Issues:

- Failure to disclose all receipts 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2), 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a)

Recommendation:
Assign to ADRO

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