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CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGNS FAIL TO FILE PRE-PRIMARY DISCLOSURE REPORTS

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission today cited a congressional campaign in Oklahoma and South Carolina with failure to file a required pre-primary financial disclosure report.

The following candidate committees failed to file reports:

BILL VARDEMAN FOR CONGRESS...DONALD M. PARRISH, TREAS....IND...OK/02
OBERST FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE...DEAN BERRY, TREAS...DEM...SC/01

The disclosure reports were due August 13, 1992, and would have detailed financial activity from July 1 through August 5. If sent by certified or registered mail, the reports should have been postmarked by midnight, August 10.

On August 14, the committees were notified by mailgram that the FEC had not received 12-day pre-primary reports. The campaigns had four business days from the date of the mailgram to respond. Failure to file by close-of-business on August 20 resulted in this publication. Prior notification of the required filing was sent to the committee on July 20.

Further Commission action against non-filers and late filers is decided on a case-by-case basis. Federal election law gives the FEC broad authority to initiate enforcement actions, including the imposition of civil penalties (\$5,000 for "any violation" and \$10,000 for any "knowing and willful" violation).

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