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May 18, 2015

For Meeting of 5-21-15

MEMORANDUM

SUBMITTED LATE

TO: The Commission

FROM: Ellen L. Weintraub   *ELW*
           Commissioner

SUBJECT: Proposed Directive 74 on the Timely Resolution of Enforcement Matters

Attached is a proposed directive to ensure timely resolution of enforcement matters. I request that this memorandum and the proposed directive be made public and placed on the Commission's Open Meeting Agenda for May 21, 2015.

Attachment

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION		
MANUAL OF DIRECTIVES	**COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**	
	REVOKES:	**NO. 74**
		EFFECTIVE DATE:
SUBJECT: TIMELY RESOLUTION OF ENFORCEMENT MATTERS		

The purpose of this directive is to ensure timely resolution of enforcement matters before the Commission.

1. Within three months of the ballot deadline, the Chair will place on an executive agenda every enforcement matter that receives an objection other than an objection for the record. [1]

2. To be considered at an Executive Session, any proposed edits to a Factual and Legal Analysis must be circulated to all Commissioners at least 24 hours in advance of the start of the Executive Session. If proposed edits are not circulated within this timeline, the Commission will meet on the next consecutive business day that falls 24 hours after the edits are circulated, at the request of any Commissioner.

3. Within three months from the date of the Executive Session when the matter first appears on an agenda, the Commission will vote on each of counsel's recommendations pursuant to 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(2) (formerly 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2)).

4. In the event the Commission decides to hold an enforcement matter in abeyance, the three month timeline will be simultaneously held.

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[1] This rule does not apply to enforcement matters that are circulated and withdrawn for resubmission before Commission consideration in Executive Session. If a matter is withdrawn, the three month timeline begins anew with the ballot deadline for the resubmitted report.