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Based upon additional reports filed by PACs with the Commission on Wednesday, November 2nd, and Thursday, November 3rd, the total of PAC contributions to legislative campaigns has exceeded \$1.4 million. This information updates Commission Advisory # 6 dated November 2, 1983. This update incorporates information filed after the filing deadlines of November 1, 1983. Most notably, since the release of that report, Builders PAC filed a 7 day pre-election report disclosing \$108,115 in contributions.

A total of \$1,408,285 has been contributed by PACs to legislative candidates, state political party committees, and other statewide committees participating in the 1983 General Election. This information has been assembled by the Election Law Enforcement Commission from campaign finance reports filed by the PACs with the Commission as of 11 a.m. November 3, 1983 which disclose financial activity through October 31, 1983. In 1981, PACs contributed \$1,147,074 through the period ending fifteen days after the election.

Of the total amount contributed, \$166,150 has been given to the state political party committees and other statewide committees. A total of \$1,242,135 has been contributed directly to legislative candidates (\$579,262 to Senate candidates; 662,873 to Assembly candidates).

In contrast, during the 1981 legislative election, PACs reported contributing a total of \$984,893 through the close of the 7 day pre-election reporting period. That amount represented 86 per cent of the total contributions by PACs in the 1981 legislative election when the total PAC contributions were \$1,147,074.

The list of the top ten PAC contributors has been revised to reflect information filed through 11 a.m. November 3, 1983:

<u>Rank</u>	<u>PAC NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED</u>
1	BUILDERS PAC	\$135,123
2	NJEA PAC	98,500
3	NEW JOBS	85,500
4	NJ DENTAL PAC	79,900
5	NJ REALTORS	79,639
6	LEGAL	76,590
7	NJ CAR	67,900
8	NJ MEDICAL PAC	65,800
9	FRIENDS OF ALLEN KARCHER	56,712
10	INDUSTRIAL UNION COUNCIL PAC	47,550

It is anticipated that the additional reports of PAC activity will be published later this afternoon.