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PRESS ADVISORY

Executive Director Frederick M. Herrmann announced today that the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission is proposing to amend its regulations to clarify the dates included in each reporting period, require reporting entities to maintain copies of reports that have been filed with the Commission, and permit unlimited contributions between candidates for the offices of county executive and freeholder in the same county. He stated that the Commission is also proposing a new rule to establish procedures for making expenditures by debit cards.

The proposed amendments and new rule will appear in the <u>New Jersey Register</u> on October 21, 2002. Copies of Commission's proposal may be viewed on the Commission's website at <u>www.elec.state.nj.us</u> or may be obtained by calling the Commission at (609) 292-8700.

The Commission will conduct a **public hearing** to elicit public comment concerning the proposal on **Monday, November 18, 2002**, at 11:15 a.m. at:

Election Law Enforcement Commission Edward J. Farrell Memorial Conference Room 28 West State Street, 12th Floor Trenton, New Jersey

The Commission invites participation in this hearing and requests that any testimony be limited to no more than ten minutes. Please contact Elbia Zeppetelli by Friday, November 15, 2002, at (609) 292-8700 to reserve time to speak.

The Commission welcomes written comments concerning the proposed amendments and new rule. Submit written comments by December 20, 2002 to:

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