PRESS ADVISORY - August 13, 2008

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Executive Director Frederick M. Herrmann announced today that the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission is proposing amendments concerning inflationary campaign cost adjustments for non-Gubernatorial and Gubernatorial candidates and committees.

According to Herrmann, among other provisions, the proposed amendments:

- Implement statutorily-required quadrennial inflationary adjustments to specific limits and thresholds in the New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 et seq.);
- Apply an index of 13.31 percent to the various limits and thresholds required to be adjusted and round adjustments pursuant to statutory direction;
- Adjust the threshold for Form A-3 (Committee Sworn Statement); and
- Adjust the threshold for 48-hour notice requirements for political party committees, legislative leadership committees, independent expenditure filers, and candidates.

The proposed amendments are expected to be published in the <u>New Jersey Register</u> on August 18, 2008, and are currently available on the Commission's website at <u>www.elec.state.nj.us</u>. Copies of the Commission's proposal may also be obtained by calling the Commission at (609) 292-8700.

The Commission will conduct a hearing to elicit public comment concerning the proposal on **Tuesday, September 30, 2008** 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. Persons wishing to testify at the **September 30**, **2008** hearing are requested to reserve time to speak by contacting Administrator Elbia L. Zeppetelli at (609) 292-8700 no later than Friday, September 26, 2008.

Submit written comments by September 17, 2008 to:

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