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WASHINGTON -- Extended operating hours for its public records facility before and after the July 15 campaign finance reporting deadline have been set by the Federal Election Commission. The extra hours are to provide reporters and the public with additional time to review second quarter reports of candidates for federal office and political committees supporting them in the 1982 elections.

Operating hours of the FEC Public Records Office will be as follows:

Monday, July 12, through Friday, July 16, and Monday, July 19, through Friday, July 23, open from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Saturday, July 17, open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Congressional campaigns are required to file quarterly reports in an election year, as well as 12 day pre-primary and general election reports, a 30 day post-general election report and an end-of-the-year report. The July 15 report covers the period from April 1 through June 30.

Political action committees and party committees have the option of filing either quarterly or monthly reports. Monthly reports are due on the 20th of the month following.

In addition, the Federal Election Campaign Act requires that committees of candidates not involved in a 1982 campaign must file semi-annually -- July 31 and January 31, 1983.

Candidates for U.S. House of Representatives are required to file their reports through the Clerk of the House, while Senate candidates file through the Secretary of the Senate. Those two offices funnel the reports to the FEC where they are put on file for public review. PAC's and party committees file their reports directly with the FEC.