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FEC RELEASES TWO INVESTIGATIVE FILES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on two matters it has had under review (MURs). This release contains only summary information. Closed files should be thoroughly read for details, including the FEC's legal analysis of the MUR. Please see footnote at the end of this release. Summary files of closed cases are available in the Public Records Office. They are as follows:

MUR NO.

1. 3503

RESPONDENTS: (a) Perot Petition Committee, Michael Poss, treasurer (TX);
(b) Carmack Watkins (TX);
COMPLAINANT: Mrs. Ted Klock (TX)
SUBJECT: Independent expenditures; disclaimer; reporting
DISPOSITION: (a) No reason to believe*
(b) Reason to believe but took no further action*

2. 3557

RESPONDENTS: (a) USA Today (VA);
(b) NBC News (NY);
COMPLAINANT: Stephen C. Meyers (MA)
SUBJECT: Commercial use of contributor information
DISPOSITION: (a)-(b) No reason to believe*

*Following a complaint, the FEC may make a "reason to believe" finding which may trigger an investigation. Subsequently, the FEC may find "probable cause to believe" violation(s) occurred. An affirmative vote of at least four of the six Commissioners is required for any action. At this stage the conciliation process could begin. If conciliation fails the FEC may institute a civil action for relief. The Commission may close a case at any point. For a complete explanation of the enforcement process - contact the FEC Press Office.

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