

### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION...

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

FRED EILAND

PRESS OFFICE

THROUGH:

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FROM:

JUDY HAWKINS

SUBJECT:

PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF AUDIT REPORT -

SOUTHWESTERN COMMITTEE ON POLITICAL EDUCATION

Attached please find a copy of the final audit report of the Southwestern Committee on Political Education which was approved by the Commission on December 12, 1979.

All informational copies have been received by all parties involved and this report may be released to the public.

Attachment as stated

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# REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON THE SOUTHWESTERN COMMITTEE ON POLITICAL EDUCATION

#### I. Background

#### A. Overview

This report is based on an audit of the Southwestern Committee on Political Education ("the Committee"), undertaken by the Audit Division of the Federal Election Commission in accordance with the Commission's audit policy to determine whether there has been compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). The audit was conducted pursuant to Section 438(a)(8) of Title 2 of the United States Code which directs the Commission to make from time to time audits and field investigations with respect to reports and statements filed under the provisions of the Act.

The Committee registered with the Federal Election Commission as the Political Action Committee of Southwestern Public Service Company on August 11, 1976, and maintains its headquarters in Amarillo, Texas.

The audit covered the period from January 1, 1977, through September 30, 1979, the final coverage date of the latest report filed by the Committee at the time of the audit. The Committee reported a beginning cash balance on January 1, 1977, of \$3,862.99, total receipts for the period of \$39,111.56, total expenditures for the period of \$35,400.36, and a closing cash balance on September 30, 1979, of \$7,574.19.

This audit report is based on documents and working papers which support each of its factual statements. They form part of the record upon which the Commission based its decisions on the matters in the report and were available to Commissioners and appropriate staff for review.

#### B. Key Personnel

The principal officers of the Committee during the period audited were Mr. Edward G. Weber, Chairman from January 1, 1977, through June 13, 1979; Mr. Larry S. Milner, Chairman from June 14, 1979 to present; and Mr. Adrian Sebastian, Treasurer from January 1, 1977, through June 13, 1979; Mr. Coyt Webb, Treasurer from June 14, 1979 to present.

#### C. Scope

The audit included such tests as verification of total reported receipts and expenditures and individual transactions; review of required supporting documentation and analysis of Committee debts and obligations; and such other audit procedures as deemed necessary under the circumstances.

### II. Finding and Recommendation

Based upon examination of the reports and statements filed and the records presented by the Southwestern Committee on Political Education, no material problems in complying with the Federal Election Campaign Act were discovered during the course of the audit.

