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PRESS ADVISORY

Executive Director Jeffrey M. Brindle announced today that the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission is proposing a new rule to set forth that "sufficient public interest" for a public hearing on Commission rulemaking is shown when at least 20 individuals submit written requests to hold a public hearing to present data, arguments or views that raise a substantial issue as to the impact of the proposal that has not been anticipated by the Commission. The Commission is also proposing amendments to its regulations to require governmental affairs agents and represented entities to file lobbying forms and reports electronically.

The proposed new rule and amendments were published in the <u>New Jersey Register</u> on October 19, 2015, and are currently available on the Commission's website at <u>www.elec.nj.gov</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, December 15, 2015 at 11:00 A.M. at:

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

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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 December 15, 2015 hearing are requested to reserve time to speak by contacting Administrative Assistant Elbia L. Zeppetelli at (609) 292-8700 no later than **Thursday, December 10, 2015**.

Submit written comments by December 28, 2015 to:

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Written comments can also be emailed to <u>elec.rulemaking@elec.nj.gov</u> by December 28, 2015. Please put "Comment" in the subject line.

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