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Ruth Duenser, Esquire Exxon Company, U.S.A. Post Office Box 2180 Houston, Texas 77252-2180

Re: Advisory Opinion No. 6-1997

Dear Ms. Duenser:

Your letter dated June 4, 1987 to the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission has been forwarded to the Attorney General of New Jersey. A copy of that letter is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

NEW JERSEY ELECTION LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

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June 25, 1987

Honorable W. Cary Edwards Attorney General of New Jersey CN 080 Hughes Justice Complex Tranton, New Jersey 08625

Dear General Edwards:

We have been asked by Exxon Corporation to seek an opinion from the Attorney General that that corporation may make political contributions to New Jersey state candidates.

The question involves consideration of N.J.S.A. 19:34-32 and 19:34-45 and the extent of their applicability in the circumstances presented. The Commission has no jurisdiction with respect to the question.

The Commission has, however, from time to time sought the opinion of the Attorney General on similar matters, since the Commission has the responsibility of administering certain of the laws respecting political contributions and expenditures and we request that you consider issuing an opinion in this matter.

A copy of the letter from Exxon to the Commission dated June 4, 1987, and of the Shell Oil Company correspondence and the opinion of the Attorney General dated June 14, 1983, are enclosed.

Very truly yours.

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