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PRESS RELEASE

Frederick M. Herrmann, Executive Director of the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), announced that at its public meeting today the Commission certified \$1,106,174.00 in public matching funds to 1993 gubernatorial general election candidate Christine Todd Whitman. Herrmann explained that this was the second certification for Candidate Whitman who has already been certified to receive \$832,756.02 in general election public matching funds on her first submission.

Herrmann explained that in order to be qualified to receive public matching funds, Candidate Whitman was required to submit a signed agreement to participate in two gubernatorial general election debates and to document that a minimum of \$177,000 in contributions of \$1,800 or less was raised and spent for the 1993 general election. The maximum in public funds which may be received by a qualified 1993 general election gubernatorial candidate is \$3.9 million.

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Including today's certification, the Commission has certified a total of \$5,838,930.02 in public funds to the two gubernatorial general election candidates as follows:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Prior Certification(s)</u>	<u>This Certification</u>	<u>Total</u>
Florio (D)	\$3,900,000.00	N/A	\$3,900,000.00 *
Whitman (R)	<u>832,756.02</u>	<u>\$1,106,174.00</u>	<u>1,938,930.02</u>
	\$4,732,756.02	\$1,106,174.00	\$5,838,930.02

* Maximum public funds for 1993 general election

The Commission will transmit today's certification to the State Treasurer who, it is anticipated, will issue a check later this week. The check will be deposited by the Commission in the candidate's public funds bank account and will be available for use immediately thereafter.

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