

will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

**Abstract:** The Clean Water Act (CWA) directs EPA to coordinate Federal and State efforts to improve water quality in the Chesapeake Bay. In 2009, Executive Order (E.O.) 13508 re-emphasized this mandate, directing EPA to define the next generation of tools and actions to restore water quality in the Bay and describe the changes to be made to regulations, programs, and policies to implement these actions. In response, EPA is undertaking an assessment of the costs and benefits of meeting established pollution budgets, called Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL), of nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment for the Chesapeake Bay.

The Chesapeake Bay watershed encompasses 64,000 square miles in parts of six states and the District of Columbia. While efforts have been underway to restore the Bay for more than 25 years, and significant progress has been made over that period, the TMDLs are necessary to continue progress toward the goal of a healthy Bay. The watershed states of New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, West Virginia, Virginia, and Maryland, as well as the District of Columbia, have developed Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs) detailing the steps each will take to meet its obligations under the TMDLs. EPA has begun a new study to estimate costs of compliance with the TMDLs. A multitude of benefits may also be anticipated to arise from restoring the Chesapeake Bay. It is important to put cost estimates in perspective by estimating corresponding benefits.

EPA's National Center for Environmental Economics (NCEE) is undertaking a benefits analysis of improvements in Bay water quality under the TMDLs, as well as of ancillary benefits that might arise from terrestrial measures taken to improve water quality. As part of this analysis, NCEE plans to conduct a broad-based inquiry into benefits using a state-of-the-art stated preference survey. Benefits from the TMDLs for the Chesapeake will accrue to those who live on or near the Bay and its tributaries, as well as to those who live further away and may never visit the Bay but have a general concern for the environment. The latter category of benefits is typically called "non-use values" and estimating the monetary value can only be achieved through a stated preference survey.

In addition, a stated preference survey is able to estimate "use values," those

benefits that accrue to individuals who choose to live on or near the Bay or recreate in the watershed. Stated preference surveys allow the analyst to define a specific object of choice or suite of choices such that benefits are defined in as precise a manner as feasible. While use benefits of water quality improvements in the Chesapeake Bay watershed will also be estimated through other revealed preference methods, the stated preference survey allows for careful specification of the choice scenarios and will complement estimates found using other methods. Participation in the survey will be voluntary and the identity of the participants will be kept confidential.

**Form Numbers:** None.

**Respondents/affected entities:** Individuals 18 years of age or older, residing in one of 18 east coast states and the District of Columbia.

**Respondent's obligation to respond:** voluntary.

**Estimated number of respondents:** Primary survey: 2,400 respondents; 400 non-response survey.

**Frequency of response:** one time collection.

**Total estimated burden:** 1,034 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

**Total estimated cost:** \$24,123 (per year), includes \$0 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

Dated: July 20, 2012.

**Al McGartland,**

*Director, National Center for Environmental Economics, Office of Policy.*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

[Notice 2012-05]

### Filing Dates for the Michigan Special Election in the 11th Congressional District

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of filing dates for special election.

**SUMMARY:** Michigan has scheduled elections on September 5, 2012, and November 6, 2012, to fill the U.S. House seat in the 11th Congressional District vacated by Representative Thaddeus McCotter.

Committees required to file reports in connection with the Special Primary Election on September 5, 2012, shall file a 12-day Pre-Primary Report. Committees required to file reports in connection with both the Special Primary and Special General Election on

November 6, 2012, shall file a 12-day Pre-Primary Report, a 12-day Pre-General Report, and a 30-day Post-General Report.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Elizabeth S. Kurland, Information Division, 999 E Street NW., Washington, DC 20463; Telephone: (202) 694-1100; Toll Free (800) 424-9530.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Principal Campaign Committees

All principal campaign committees of candidates who participate in the Michigan Special Primary and Special General Elections shall file a 12-day Pre-Primary Report on August 24, 2012; a 12-day Pre-General Report on October 25, 2012; and a 30-day Post-General Report on December 6, 2012. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

All principal campaign committees of candidates participating only in the Special Primary Election shall file a 12-day Pre-Primary Report on August 24, 2012. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

Note that these reports are in addition to the campaign committee's quarterly filing in October. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

### Unauthorized Committees (PACs and Party Committees)

Political committees filing on a quarterly basis in 2012 are subject to special election reporting if they make previously undisclosed contributions or expenditures in connection with the Michigan Special Primary or Special General Election by the close of books for the applicable report(s). (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

Committees filing monthly that make contributions or expenditures in connection with the Michigan Special Primary or General Elections will continue to file according to the monthly reporting schedule.

Additional disclosure information in connection with the Michigan Special Election may be found on the FEC Web site at [http://www.fec.gov/info/report\\_dates.shtml](http://www.fec.gov/info/report_dates.shtml).

### Disclosure of Lobbyist Bundling Activity

Principal campaign committees, party committees and Leadership PACs that are otherwise required to file reports in connection with the special elections must simultaneously file FEC Form 3L if they receive two or more bundled contributions from lobbyists/registrants or lobbyist/registant PACs that aggregate in excess of \$16,700 during the special election reporting periods

(see charts below for closing date of each period). 11 CFR 104.22(a)(5)(v).

### CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR MICHIGAN SPECIAL ELECTION

Report	Close of books <sup>1</sup>	Reg./cert. & overnight mailing deadline	Filing deadline
<b>Committees Involved in Only the Special Primary (09/05/12) Must File</b>			
Pre-Primary .....	08/16/12	08/21/12	08/24/12
October Quarterly .....	09/30/12	10/15/12	10/15/12
<b>Committees Involved in Both the Special Primary (09/05/12) and Special General (11/06/12) Must File</b>			
Pre-Primary .....	08/16/12	08/21/12	08/24/12
October Quarterly .....	09/30/12	10/15/12	10/15/12
Pre-General .....	10/17/12	10/22/12	10/25/12
Post-General .....	11/26/12	12/06/12	12/06/12
Year-End .....	12/31/12	01/31/13	01/31/13
<b>Committees Involved in Only the Special General (11/06/12) Must File</b>			
Pre-General .....	10/17/12	10/22/12	10/25/12
Post-General .....	11/26/12	12/06/12	12/06/12
Year-End .....	12/31/12	01/31/13	01/31/13

<sup>1</sup> These dates indicate the end of the reporting period. A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered as a political committee with the Commission up through the close of books for the first report due.

Dated: July 19, 2012.

On behalf of the Commission.

**Caroline C. Hunter,**

*Chair, Federal Election Commission.*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

**DATE & TIME:** Tuesday July 31, 2012 At 10:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street NW., Washington, DC

**STATUS:** This meeting will be closed to the public.

### Items To Be Discussed

Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g, 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C.

Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration.

Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

Information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to have a considerable adverse effect on the implementation of a proposed Commission action.

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### PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

Judith Ingram, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

**Shelley E. Garr,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Commission.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of a Bank or Bank Holding Company

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire shares of a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than August 10, 2012.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (Richard Walker, Community Affairs Officer) 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02210-2204:

1. *Investors of America, L.P.* to retain voting shares of Hampden Bancorp, Inc., both in Springfield, Massachusetts, and thereby indirectly retain voting shares of Hampden Bank, Springfield, Massachusetts.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 23, 2012.

**Margaret McCloskey Shanks,**

*Associate Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The applications will also be available for inspection at the offices of