

ELECTIONS BC

News Release

For Immediate Release

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2005 Annual Financial Reports Available for the Public

Victoria - The 2005 Annual Financial Reports for registered political parties and registered constituency associations will be available for public inspection at the office of the Chief Electoral Officer and on Elections BC's website Tuesday, April 4, 2006, starting at 9 a.m.

Financial reports for the 2005 calendar year had to be filed with the Chief Electoral Officer by March 31, 2006. These reports must contain the following information on 2005 financial activities of each registered political party and constituency association:

- political contributions accepted
- assets, liabilities, surplus or deficit at the end of the fiscal year
- total dollar amount of income tax receipts issued
- transfers of money, goods or services received and given
- fundraising function information
- income received and expenditures made
- loans and guarantees.

A total of 200 annual financial reports were filed by the March 31, 2006, deadline. Three reports were not received by that date. Under section 280 of the *Election Act*, the Chief Electoral Officer may extend the deadline for filing a report. As a result of requests for filing extensions received prior to the March 31, 2006, deadline, Orders were made to grant two extensions. Organizations may submit their reports by 4:30 p.m. June 30, 2006, if accompanied by a \$100 late filing fee.

See attached list of granted extensions and organizations which did not file a report by the deadline.

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CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICE

Granted Financial Filing Deadline Extensions

Filer Name

Democratic Reform B.C.

Nelson-Creston Constituency Association

British Columbia Unity Party

Extended To

May 1, 2006

June 30, 2006

Organizations Which Did Not File By Deadline

Political Parties

British Columbia Marijuana Party