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Instructions (Revised 10/21) Form C-7 Notice of pre-election contributions

Who is required to file a Form C-7?

In accordance with Montana law (§ 13-37-226, MCA):

- *any candidate for statewide office* must file a Form C-7 if \$250 or more is received from a single source between the 15th day of the month before an election and the day before the election;
- *any candidate for office other than a statewide office* must file a Form C-7 if \$125 or more is received from a single source between the 15th day of the month before an election and the day before the election;
- any political committee or joint fundraising committee must file a Form C-7 if \$500 or more is received from a single source between the 25th day of the month before an election and the day before the election;

When must a Form C-7 be filed?

• A Form C-7 must be filed for contributions in the amounts provided above within 2 business days after receipt of the contributions.

Where must a Form C-7 be filed?

• All committees and candidates must file Forms C-7 in CERS.

All contributions reported on a Form C-7 are automatically incorporated into your C-5 campaign finance report for candidates and C-6 campaign finance report for committees.