#### MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING

OF THE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2001

PRESENT:

Danny L. McDonald, Chairman, presiding

David M. Mason, Vice Chairman

Karl J. Sandstrom, Commissioner

Bradley A. Smith, Commissioner

Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner

Darryl R. Wold, Commissioner

James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director

Lawrence H. Norton, General Counsel

Mary W. Dove, Secretary

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Chairman Danny L. McDonald called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 11:35 A.M. on Thursday, November 8, 2001, with a quorum present.

## DRAFT ADVISORY OPINION 2001-13

Green Party of the United States by special counsel, Thomas Alan Linzey, and senior counsel, David Cobb

Agenda Documents No. 01-57 and No. 01-57-A

Chairman McDonald recognized Vice Chairman Mason, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Documents No. 01-57 and No. 01-57-A.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0 with Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Sandstrom, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting affirmatively.

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# I. <u>DRAFT ADVISORY OPINION 2001-13</u> (continued)

Chairman McDonald recognized Mr. Michael
Marinelli of the General Counsel's Office who
presented the final draft Advisory Opinion 2001-13
concerning the application of the Federal Election
Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), and
Commission regulations regarding whether the
coordinating committee of the Green Party of the
United States is a "national committee" of a political
party.

Chairman McDonald recognized Commissioner
Sandstrom who presented an overview of his proposed
amendment, as set forth in Agenda Document No. 01-57-A.

A discussion followed.

Chairman McDonald recognized Commissioner Smith, who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory Opinion 2001-13, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 01-57, as amended by Agenda Document No. 01-57-A.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

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## II. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS</u>

The Chairman recognized Staff Director Pehrkon who presented an update on the status of the FY 2002 Treasury-Postal Service Bill, which includes the Federal Election Commission funding Level of \$43,689,000.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Signed:

Danny L. McDonald Chairman of the Commission

Attest:

Mary W. Dove Secretary of the Commission