



SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

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Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Re: Pre-General Report
October 1, 1996 through October 16, 1996

Enclosed is the Pre-General Report for the Southwest Gas Corporation Political Action Committee for the period October 1, 1996 through October 16, 1996.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 702/876-7389.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Silvestri / s

Charles A. Silvestri
Director/Consumer & Community Relations

Enclosures

Office of the Secretary of State
Carson City, NV 89710

Office of the Secretary of State
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For Other Than An Authorized Committee
(Summary Page)

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1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (In full)
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 CHARLES A SILVESTRI
 A SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION POLI
 TICAL ACTION COMMITTEE
 PG BOX 98510
 C LAS VEGAS NV 89193

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C00076737

3. This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)
 Qualified as a multicandidate committee prior to Jan. 1, 1996.

4. TYPE OF REPORT

- (a) April 15 Quarterly Report
 July 15 Quarterly Report
 October 15 Quarterly Report
 January 31 Year End Report
 July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-election Year Only)
 Termination Report

- Monthly Report Due On:
- February 20 June 20 October 20
 March 20 July 20 November 20
 April 20 August 20 December 20
 May 20 September 20 January 31

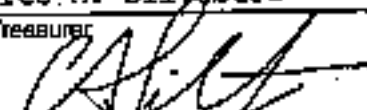
- Twelfth day report preceding General
 (Type of Election)
 election on 11/5/96 in the State of Nevada
- Thirtieth day report following the General Election on _____ in the State of _____

(b) Is this Report an Amendment? YES NO

SUMMARY		COLUMN A	COLUMN B
5. Covering Period <u>10/1/96</u> through <u>10/16/96</u>		This Period	Calendar Year-to-Date
6.	(a) Cash on Hand January 1, 19 <u>96</u>		\$ 38,876.05
	(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	\$ 41,482.55	
	(c) Total Receipts (from Line 19)	\$ 831.00	\$ 16,642.50
	(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	\$ 42,313.55	\$ 55,518.55
7.	Total Disbursements (from Line 30)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 14,205.00
8.	Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	\$ 41,313.55	\$ 41,313.55
9.	Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)	\$ -0-	For further information contact: Federal Election Commission 888 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463 Toll Free 800-424-9530 Local 202-219-3420.
10.	Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)	\$ -0-	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer
Charles A. Silvestri

Signature of Treasurer  Date
10/17/96

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Report to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g.

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FEC FORM 3X
(revised 9/93)

**DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE
OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
PAGE 2, FEC FORM 3X**

(revised 1/1/81)

NAME OF COMMITTEE SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE		REPORT COVERING PERIOD FROM 10/1/96 TO: 10/16/96	
		COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year
I. Receipts			
11. Contributions (other than loans) From:			
a. Individual/Persons Other Than Political Committees			
i. Itemized (use Schedule A)	\$ 462.50	\$ 7,855.50	11(a)(i)
ii. Unitemized	368.50	8,787.00	11(a)(ii)
iii. Total (add i and ii) >	831.00	16,642.50	11(a)(iii)
b. Political Party Committees			11(b)
c. Other Political Committees (such as PACs)			11(c)
d. Total Contributions (add a iii, b and c) >	831.00	16,642.50	11(d)
12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other Party Committees			12
13. All Loans Received			13
14. Loan Repayments Received			14
15. Offsets To Operating Expenditures (Refunds, Rebates, etc.)			15
16. Refunds of Contributions Made to Federal Candidates and Other Political Committees			16
17. Other Federal Receipts (Dividends, Interest, etc.)			17
18. Transfers from Nonfederal Account for Joint Activity			18
19. Total Receipts (add 11d, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18) >	831.00	16,642.50	19
20. Total Federal Receipts (subtract line 18 from line 19) >	831.00	16,642.50	20
II. Disbursements			
21. Operating Expenditures:			
a. Shared Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4)			
i. Federal Share			21(a)(i)
ii. Non-Federal Share		30.00	21(a)(ii)
b. Other Federal Operating Expenditures		30.00	21(b)
c. Total Operating Expenditures (add a i, a ii, and b) >		30.00	21(c)
22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees			22
23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees	1,000.00	14,175.00	23
24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E)			24
25. Coordinated Expenditures Made by Party Committees (2 U.S.C. 441a(d)) (use Schedule F)			25
26. Loan Repayments Made			26
27. Loans Made			27
28. Refunds of Contributions To:			
a. Individual/Persons Other Than Political Committees			28(a)
b. Political Party Committees			28(b)
c. Other Political Committees (such as PACs)			28(c)
d. Total Contribution Refunds (add a, b and c) >			28(d)
29. Other Disbursements			29
30. Total Disbursements (add 21c, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28d, and 29) >	1,000.00	14,205.00	30
31. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract line 21 a ii from line 30) >	1,000.00	14,205.00	31
III. Net Contributions/Operating Expenditures			
32. Total Contributions (other than loans) (from line 11d)	831.00	16,642.50	32
33. Total Contribution Refunds (from line 28d)			33
34. Net Contributions (other than loans) (subtract line 33 from 32)	831.00	16,642.50	34
35. Total Federal Operating Expenditures (add 21 a i and 21 b) >		30.00	35
36. Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from line 15)			36
37. Net Operating Expenditures (subtract line 36 from 35) >		30.00	37

SCHEDULE A

ITEMIZED RECEIPTS

Use separate schedule(s) for each category of the Detailed Summary Page

PAGE 1 OF 3
FOR LINE NUMBER 11 (a) (i)

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)

SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Lowell H. Bamford P.O. Box 1498 Victorville, CA 92393-0919 Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Name of Employer Southwest Gas Corp. Occupation VP/Southern California Division Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 377.50	Date (month, day, year) Payroll Deduction	Amount of Each Receipt This Period \$ 25.00 (\$225.00 biweekly)
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code George C. Biehl 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102 Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Name of Employer Southwest Gas Corp. Occupation Senior VP/CFO Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 433.00	Date (month, day, year) Payroll Deduction	Amount of Each Receipt This Period \$ 25.00 (\$ 25.00 biweekly)
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Terry N. Brackeen P.O. Box 1190 Carson City, NV 89702-1190 Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Name of Employer Southwest Gas Corp. Occupation District Manager Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 380.00	Date (month, day, year) Payroll Deduction	Amount of Each Receipt This Period \$ 20.00 (\$ 20.00 biweekly)
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Robert B. Brewer 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102 Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Name of Employer Southwest Gas Corp. Occupation Director/Corp. & Admin. Services Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 285.00	Date (month, day, year) Payroll Deduction	Amount of Each Receipt This Period \$ 15.00 (\$ 15.00 biweekly)
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code William A. Claerhout P.O. Box 52075 Phoenix, AZ 85072-2075 Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Name of Employer Southwest Gas Corp. Occupation Chief Counsel/ Arizona Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 237.50	Date (month, day, year) Payroll Deduction	Amount of Each Receipt This Period \$ 12.50 (\$ 12.50 biweekly)
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Fred Cover 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102 Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Name of Employer Southwest Gas Corp. Occupation VP/Human Resources Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 209.00	Date (month, day, year) Payroll Deduction	Amount of Each Receipt This Period \$ 25.00 (\$ 25.00 biweekly)
G. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code John Hanenburg, Jr. P.O. Box 26500 Tucson, AZ 85726-6500 Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Name of Employer Southwest Gas Corp. Occupation Manager/Gas Operations Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 475.00	Date (month, day, year) Payroll Deduction	Amount of Each Receipt This Period \$ 25.00 (\$ 25.00 biweekly)

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional)

\$ 147.50

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only)

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SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt This Period
James A. Hunter 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 16.50 (\$ 16.50 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation Director/ Operations Development Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 313.50		
Robert M. Johnson 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 15.00 (\$ 15.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation Associate General Counsel Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 285.00		
Michael O. Maffie 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 50.00 (\$ 50.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation President & CEO Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 625.00		
Roger C. Montgomery 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 15.00 (\$ 15.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation Director/Rates Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 285.00		
David C. O'Neil 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 20.00 (\$ 20.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation VP/Marketing Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 250.00		
Christina A. Palacios 4300 W. Tropicana Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 35.00 (\$ 35.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation VP/Southern Nevada Division Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 366.00		
Dante C. Pistone 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 15.00 (\$ 15.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation Manager/Corp. Communications Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 285.00		

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional) \$ 166.50

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A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this Period
Thomas R. Sheets 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 25.00 (\$ 25.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation VP/General Counsel Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 260.50		
Charles A. Silvestri 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 15.00 (\$ 15.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation Director/Consumer & Community Relations Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 252.50		
Dudley J. Sondeno 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 25.00 (\$ 25.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation VP/Chief Knowledge & Technology Officer Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 265.00		
Richard J. Tetreault 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 15.00 (\$ 15.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation Associate General Counsel Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 285.00		
Thomas J. Trimble 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 25.00 (\$ 25.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation Senior VP/General Counsel Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 475.00		
Ruth M. Weaver 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 13.50 (\$ 13.50 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation Manager/Customer Relations Staff Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 256.50		
Edward S. Zub 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102	Southwest Gas Corp.	Payroll Deduction	\$ 30.00 (\$ 30.00 biweekly)
Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Occupation Senior VP/Rates & Regulation Aggregate Year-to-Date > \$ 375.00		

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional) \$ 148.50

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only) \$ 462.50

SCHEDULE B

ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS

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A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Jim Gibbons for Congress P.O. Box 12938 Reno, NV 89510	Contribution Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	10/3/96	\$ 1,000.00
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
G. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
H. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
I. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period

SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional)

\$ 1,000.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only)

\$ 1,000.00

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