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**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

**2002**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

Open to Public Inspection

**A** For the 2002 calendar year, or tax year period beginning **SEP 1, 2002** and ending **AUG 31, 2003**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>Colorado Public Interest Research Foundation</b>		<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>74-2313874</b>
		Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <b>1530 Blake Street</b>		<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>303-573-7474</b>
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 <b>Denver, CO 80202</b>		<b>F</b> Accounting method <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)
		<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)</b>		

**G** Web site: **www.copirg.org**

**J** Organization type (check only one)  501(c) ( 3 ) (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**K** Check here  if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS; but if the organization received a Form 990 Package in the mail, it should file a return without financial data. **Some states require a complete return.**

**L** Gross receipts: Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 **322,951.**

**H** and **I** are not applicable to section 527 organizations.  
**H(a)** Is this a group return for affiliates?  Yes  No  
**H(b)** If "Yes," enter number of affiliates **0**  
**H(c)** Are all affiliates included? **N/A**  Yes  No (If "No," attach a list.)  
**H(d)** Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling?  Yes  No  
**I** Enter 4-digit GEN **0000**  
**M** Check  if the organization is not required to attach Sch. B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances**

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Revenue	<b>1</b> Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received:						
	<b>a</b> Direct public support	<b>1a</b>	<b>322,951.</b>				
	<b>b</b> Indirect public support	<b>1b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Government contributions (grants)	<b>1c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Total (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash \$ <b>322,951.</b> noncash \$ _____)	<b>1d</b>					<b>322,951.</b>
	<b>2</b> Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	<b>2</b>					
	<b>3</b> Membership dues and assessments	<b>3</b>					
	<b>4</b> Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	<b>4</b>					
	<b>5</b> Dividends and interest from securities	<b>5</b>					
	<b>6 a</b> Gross rents	<b>6a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses	<b>6b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)	<b>6c</b>					
<b>7</b> Other investment income (describe <b>▶</b> )							
<b>8 a</b> Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	(A) Securities	<b>8a</b>		(B) Other	<b>8c</b>		
		<b>8b</b>					
		<b>8c</b>					
<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) (combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B))	<b>8d</b>						
<b>9</b> Special events and activities (attach schedule)							
<b>a</b> Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1a)	<b>9a</b>						
	<b>9b</b> Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	<b>9b</b>					
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)	<b>9c</b>						
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	<b>10a</b>						
	<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold	<b>10b</b>					
<b>c</b> Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) (subtract line 10b from line 10a)	<b>10c</b>						
<b>11</b> Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)	<b>11</b>						
<b>12</b> Total revenue (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)	<b>12</b>					<b>322,951.</b>	
Expenses	<b>13</b> Program services (from line 44, column (B))	<b>13</b>				<b>173,316.</b>	
	<b>14</b> Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	<b>14</b>				<b>14,275.</b>	
	<b>15</b> Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	<b>15</b>				<b>16,311.</b>	
	<b>16</b> Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)	<b>16</b>					
	<b>17</b> Total expenses (add lines 16 and 44, column (A))	<b>17</b>					<b>203,902.</b>
Net Assets	<b>18</b> Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)	<b>18</b>				<b>119,049.</b>	
	<b>19</b> Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	<b>19</b>				<b>119,535.</b>	
	<b>20</b> Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	<b>20</b>				<b>0.</b>	
	<b>21</b> Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18, 19, and 20)	<b>21</b>					<b>238,584.</b>

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**Part II Statement of Functional Expenses**

All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others.

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<i>Dq not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I.</i>	(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22 Grants and allocations (attach schedule)				
cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____	22			
23 Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)	23			
24 Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)	24			
25 Compensation of officers, directors, etc.	25	0.	0.	0.
26 Other salaries and wages	26	98,093.	83,379.	6,867.
27 Pension plan contributions	27	2,830.	2,406.	198.
28 Other employee benefits	28			
29 Payroll taxes	29	8,653.	7,355.	606.
30 Professional fundraising fees	30			
31 Accounting fees	31	14,919.	12,681.	1,044.
32 Legal fees	32			
33 Supplies	33	583.	495.	41.
34 Telephone	34			
35 Postage and shipping	35	1,119.	951.	78.
36 Occupancy	36	12,740.	10,829.	892.
37 Equipment rental and maintenance	37			
38 Printing and publications	38	6,556.	5,573.	459.
39 Travel	39	7,439.	6,323.	521.
40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40	783.	665.	55.
41 Interest	41			
42 Depreciation, depletion, etc. (attach schedule)	42	4,841.	4,115.	339.
43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize):				
a _____	43a			
b _____	43b			
c _____	43c			
d _____	43d			
e <b>See Statement 1</b>	43e	45,346.	38,544.	3,175.
44 <small>Total functional expenses (add lines 22 through 43). Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15.</small>	44	203,902.	173,316.	14,275.

Joint Costs. Check  if you are following SOP 98-2.

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services?  Yes  No

If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ \_\_\_\_\_; (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ \_\_\_\_\_; (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ \_\_\_\_\_; and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

**To promote the public interest on a non-profit basis.**

All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable. (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)

**Program Service Expenses**  
(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs., and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others.)

a <b>Research &amp; Non Legislative Advocacy - Regarding environmental and consumer issues, including land use protections, alternative transportation options, clean energy &amp; consumer rights</b>	(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	117,855.
b <b>See Statement 2</b>	(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	55,461.
c _____	(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	
d _____	(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	
e Other program services (attach schedule)	(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	
<b>f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services)</b>		<b>173,316.</b>

**Part IV Balance Sheets**

**Note:** Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
<b>Assets</b>	45 Cash - non-interest-bearing	117,100.	45	82,286.	
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments		46		
	47 a Accounts receivable	47a			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	47b	47c		
	48 a Pledges receivable	48a			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48b	48c		
	49 Grants receivable		49		
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		50		
	51 a Other notes and loans receivable	51a			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	51b	51c		
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52		
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		53		
	54 Investments - securities	<input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV	54		
	55 a Investments - land, buildings, and equipment: basis	55a			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	55b	55c		
56 Investments - other	See Statement 3	0.	56	153,974.	
57 a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis	57a 30,305.				
b Less: accumulated depreciation	57b 22,581.	7,758.	57c	7,724.	
58 Other assets (describe <input type="checkbox"/> )			58		
59 <b>Total assets</b> (add lines 45 through 58) (must equal line 74)		124,858.	59	243,984.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		60	77.	
	61 Grants payable		61		
	62 Deferred revenue		62		
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		63		
	64 a Tax-exempt bond liabilities		64a		
	b Mortgages and other notes payable		64b		
	65 Other liabilities (describe <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Due to affiliate</b> )		5,323.	65	5,323.
66 <b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 60 through 65)		5,323.	66	5,400.	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74.				
	67 Unrestricted	119,535.	67	238,584.	
	68 Temporarily restricted		68		
	69 Permanently restricted		69		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74.				
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70		
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71		
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72		
	73 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72; column (A) must equal line 19; column (B) must equal line 21)		119,535.	73	238,584.
	74 <b>Total liabilities and net assets / fund balances</b> (add lines 66 and 73)		124,858.	74	243,984.

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

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**Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return**

<b>a</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	<b>322,951.</b>
<b>b</b>	Amounts included on line a but not on line 12, Form 990:	
(1)	Net unrealized gains on investments \$ _____	
(2)	Donated services and use of facilities \$ _____	
(3)	Recoveries of prior year grants \$ _____	
(4)	Other (specify): \$ _____	
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	<b>0.</b>
<b>c</b>	Line a minus line b	<b>322,951.</b>
<b>d</b>	Amounts included on line 12, Form 990 but not on line a:	
(1)	Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$ _____	
(2)	Other (specify): \$ _____	
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	<b>0.</b>
<b>e</b>	Total revenue per line 12, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	<b>322,951.</b>

**Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements with Expenses per Return**

<b>a</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	<b>203,902.</b>
<b>b</b>	Amounts included on line a but not on line 17, Form 990:	
(1)	Donated services and use of facilities \$ _____	
(2)	Prior year adjustments reported on line 20, Form 990 \$ _____	
(3)	Losses reported on line 20, Form 990 \$ _____	
(4)	Other (specify): \$ _____	
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	<b>0.</b>
<b>c</b>	Line a minus line b	<b>203,902.</b>
<b>d</b>	Amounts included on line 17, Form 990 but not on line a:	
(1)	Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$ _____	
(2)	Other (specify): \$ _____	
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	<b>0.</b>
<b>e</b>	Total expenses per line 17, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	<b>203,902.</b>

**Part V List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees** (List each one even if not compensated.)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
See Statement #5		0.	0.	0.
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**75** Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee receive aggregate compensation of more than \$100,000 from your organization and all related organizations, of which more than \$10,000 was provided by the related organizations? If "Yes," attach schedule.  Yes  No Form 990 (2002)

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<b>Part VI</b>	<b>Other Information</b>		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
76	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity	76		<b>X</b>
77	Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes.	77		<b>X</b>
78 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	78a		<b>X</b>
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year? <span style="float:right">N/A</span>	78b		
79	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach a statement	79		<b>X</b>
80 a	Is the organization related (other than by association with a statewide or nationwide organization) through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc., to any other exempt or nonexempt organization?	80a	<b>X</b>	
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the organization <span style="float:right">See Statement 4</span> _____ and check whether it is <input type="checkbox"/> exempt or <input type="checkbox"/> nonexempt.			
81 a	Enter direct or indirect political expenditures. See line 81 instructions <span style="float:right">81a</span> <span style="float:right">0.</span>			
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	81b		<b>X</b>
82 a	Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?	82a		<b>X</b>
b	If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III.) <span style="float:right">82b</span> <span style="float:right">N/A</span>			
83 a	Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	83a	<b>X</b>	
b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?	83b	<b>X</b>	
84 a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?	84a		<b>X</b>
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? <span style="float:right">N/A</span>	84b		
85	<b>501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations</b> a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members? <span style="float:right">N/A</span>	85a		
b	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? <span style="float:right">N/A</span> If "Yes" was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year.	85b		
c	Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members <span style="float:right">85c</span> <span style="float:right">N/A</span>			
d	Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures <span style="float:right">85d</span> <span style="float:right">N/A</span>			
e	Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices <span style="float:right">85e</span> <span style="float:right">N/A</span>			
f	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e) <span style="float:right">85f</span> <span style="float:right">N/A</span>			
g	Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f? <span style="float:right">N/A</span>	85g		
h	If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year? <span style="float:right">N/A</span>	85h		
86	<b>501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter: a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12 <span style="float:right">86a</span> <span style="float:right">N/A</span>			
b	Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities <span style="float:right">86b</span> <span style="float:right">N/A</span>			
87	<b>501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter: a Gross income from members or shareholders <span style="float:right">87a</span> <span style="float:right">N/A</span>			
b	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) <span style="float:right">87b</span> <span style="float:right">N/A</span>			
88	At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Part IX	88		<b>X</b>
89 a	<b>501(c)(3) organizations</b> Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 <span style="float:right">0.</span> ; section 4912 <span style="float:right">0.</span> ; section 4955 <span style="float:right">0.</span>			
b	<b>501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," attach a statement explaining each transaction	89b		<b>X</b>
c	Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 <span style="float:right">0.</span>			
d	Enter: Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization <span style="float:right">0.</span>			
90 a	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed <span style="float:right">None</span>			
b	Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2002 <span style="float:right">90b</span> <span style="float:right">8</span>			
91	The books are in care of <span style="float:right">The Organization</span> Telephone no. <span style="float:right">_____</span>			

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92 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041- Check here 0  
and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year 92 N/A

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**Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities** (See page 31 of the instructions.)

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclu- sion code	(D) Amount	
<b>93</b> Program service revenue:					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
<b>94</b> Membership dues and assessments					
<b>95</b> Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
<b>96</b> Dividends and interest from securities					
<b>97</b> Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property					
<b>98</b> Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
<b>99</b> Other investment income					
<b>100</b> Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
<b>101</b> Net income or (loss) from special events					
<b>102</b> Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
<b>103</b> Other revenue:					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
<b>104</b> Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		0.		0.	0.
<b>105</b> Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					0.

**Note:** Line 105 plus line 1d, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I.

**Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes** (See page 32 of the instructions.)

Line No.	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes).
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**Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities** (See page 32 of the instructions.)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets
N/A	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

**Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts** (See page 33 of the instructions.)

- (a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No
- (b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No

**Note:** If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions).

Please Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
	Signature of officer	Date	Type or print name and title	
	<i>Clayton Wilmonth</i>	7/15/04	KEX Wilmonth Director	
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed	Preparer's SSN or PTIN
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4		<input type="checkbox"/>	P00019688
		Bradley, Allen & Associates, LLP 215 Union Blvd., Ste. 305 Lakewood, CO 80228		EIN
223161 01-22-03			Phone no.	303-988-1900

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**SCHEDULE A**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

**Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)**

OMB No 1545-0047

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),  
501(n), or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

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**Supplementary Information-(See separate instructions.)**

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Name of the organization **Colorado Public Interest Research Foundation** Employer identification number **74 2313874**

**Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees**

(See page 1 of the instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
<u>None</u>				
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000	▶ 0			

**Part II Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services**

(See page 2 of the instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms). If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
<u>None</u>		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services	▶ 0	



**Part III Statements About Activities** (See page 2 of the instructions.)

	Yes	No
1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities ► \$ _____ \$ _____ (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B.) Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes," must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.		X
2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.) <b>See Statement 5</b>		
a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?		X
b Lending of money or other extension of credit?		X
c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?		X
d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)?	X	
e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?		X
3 Does the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.? (See Note below.)		X
4 Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?		X
<b>Note:</b> Attach a statement to explain how the organization determines that individuals or organizations receiving grants or loans from it in furtherance of its charitable programs "qualify" to receive payments.		

**Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status** (See pages 3 through 5 of the instructions.)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

- 5  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 6  A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)
- 7  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
- 8  A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 9  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state ► \_\_\_\_\_
- 10  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11a  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11b  A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 12  An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc., functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See section 509(a)(2). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 13  An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in: (1) lines 5 through 12 above; or (2) section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2). (See section 509(a)(3).)

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 5 of the instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Line number from above

- 14  An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4). (See page 5 of the instructions.)

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**Part IV-A Support Schedule** (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12.) Use cash method of accounting.  
 Note: You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2001	(b) 2000	(c) 1999	(d) 1998	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	377,789.	369,844.	149,160.	566,904.	1,463,697.
16 Membership fees received					
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose					
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	162.	6,571.	13,773.	13,002.	33,508.
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	377,951.	376,415.	162,933.	579,906.	1,497,205.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	377,951.	376,415.	162,933.	579,906.	1,497,205.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	3,780.	3,764.	1,629.	5,799.	
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24					29,944.
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 1998 through 2001 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of all these excess amounts					530,392.
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e)					1,497,205.
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 18 <u>33,508.</u> 19 _____ 22 _____ 26b <u>530,392.</u>					563,900.
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)					933,305.
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))					62.3365%
27 Organizations described on line 12: a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person." Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year: N/A					
(2001) (2000) (1999) (1998)					
b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year: N/A					
(2001) (2000) (1999) (1998)					
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 15 _____ 16 _____ 17 _____ 20 _____ 21 _____					N/A
d Add: Line 27a total _____ and line 27b total _____					N/A
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)					N/A
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount on line 23, column (e) 27f N/A					
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					N/A %
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					N/A %

28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 1998 through 2001, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15.

None

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**Part V Private School Questionnaire** (See page 7 of the instructions.)

N/A

**(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)**

		Yes	No
<b>29</b>	Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?		
<b>30</b>	Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
<b>31</b>	Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe; if "No," please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)		
	_____		
	_____		
<b>32</b>	Does the organization maintain the following:		
<b>a</b>	Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?		
<b>b</b>	Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?		
<b>c</b>	Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
<b>d</b>	Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)		
	_____		
<b>33</b>	Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:		
<b>a</b>	Students' rights or privileges?		
<b>b</b>	Admissions policies?		
<b>c</b>	Employment of faculty or administrative staff?		
<b>d</b>	Scholarships or other financial assistance?		
<b>e</b>	Educational policies?		
<b>f</b>	Use of facilities?		
<b>g</b>	Athletic programs?		
<b>h</b>	Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)		
	_____		
	_____		
<b>34 a</b>	Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?		
<b>b</b>	Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement.		
<b>35</b>	Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," attach an explanation		

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**Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities** (See page 9 of the instructions.)

N/A

(To be completed ONLY by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

Check  **a** if the organization belongs to an affiliated group. Check  **b** if you checked "a" and "limited control" provisions apply.

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures</b> (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for ALL electing organizations
		<b>N/A</b>	
<b>36</b>	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	<b>36</b>	
<b>37</b>	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	<b>37</b>	
<b>38</b>	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37)	<b>38</b>	
<b>39</b>	Other exempt purpose expenditures	<b>39</b>	
<b>40</b>	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39)	<b>40</b>	
<b>41</b>	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table -		
	<b>If the amount on line 40 is -</b>		
	Not over \$500,000		
	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000		
	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000		
	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000		
	Over \$17,000,000		
	<b>The lobbying nontaxable amount is -</b>		
	20% of the amount on line 40		
	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000		
	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000		
	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000		
	\$1,000,000		
<b>42</b>	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41)	<b>42</b>	
<b>43</b>	Subtract line 42 from line 36. Enter -0- if line 42 is more than line 36	<b>43</b>	
<b>44</b>	Subtract line 41 from line 38. Enter -0- if line 41 is more than line 38	<b>44</b>	

**Caution:** If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720.

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 45 through 50 on page 11 of the instructions.)

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				N/A (e) Total
	(a) 2002	(b) 2001	(c) 2000	(d) 1999	
<b>45</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount					0.
<b>46</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					0.
<b>47</b> Total lobbying expenditures					0.
<b>48</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount					0.
<b>49</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					0.
<b>50</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures					0.

**Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities**

(For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See page 11 of the instructions.)

N/A

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:	Yes	No	Amount
	<b>a</b> Volunteers		
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h.)			
<b>c</b> Media advertisements			
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public			
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements			
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes			
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body			
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means			
<b>i</b> Total lobbying expenditures (Add lines c through h )			0.

If "Yes" to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.

**Part VII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations** (See page 12 of the instructions.)

**51** Did the reporting organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

**a** Transfers from the reporting organization to a noncharitable exempt organization of:

	Yes	No
<b>51a(i)</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>a(ii)</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>b(i)</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>b(ii)</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>b(iii)</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>b(iv)</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>b(v)</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>b(vi)</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>c</b>	<b>X</b>	

(i) Cash

(ii) Other assets

**b** Other transactions:

(i) Sales or exchanges of assets with a noncharitable exempt organization

(ii) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization

(iii) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets

(iv) Reimbursement arrangements

(v) Loans or loan guarantees

(vi) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations

**c** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees

**d** If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting organization. If the organization received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received:

(a) Line no.	(b) Amount involved	(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization	(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements
		<b>Colorado Public Interest</b>	
<b>51c</b>	<b>0.</b>	<b>Research Group</b>	<b>Shared facilities, equipment</b>
<b>51c</b>	<b>0.</b>	<b>Environment Colorado, Inc.</b>	<b>Shared facilities, equipment</b>
		<b>Environment Colorado</b>	
		<b>Research &amp; Policy Center,</b>	
<b>51c</b>	<b>0.</b>	<b>Inc.</b>	<b>Shared facilities, equipment</b>

**52 a** Is the organization directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527?  Yes  No

**b** If "Yes," complete the following schedule:

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
<b>Colorado Public Interest Research Group</b>	<b>501c(4)</b>	<b>Each pays own share of expense</b>
<b>Environment Colorado, Inc.</b>	<b>501c(4)</b>	<b>Each pays own share of expense</b>
<b>Environment Colorado Research &amp; Policy Center, Inc.</b>	<b>501c(3)</b>	<b>Each pays own share of expense</b>

Form 990	Other Expenses			Statement	1
Description	(A) Total	(B) Program Services	(C) Management and General	(D) Fundraising	
Advertising	8,558.	7,274.	599.	685.	
Contract Labor	13,876.	11,795.	971.	1,110.	
Dues	2,224.	1,890.	156.	178.	
Insurance - Business	2,926.	2,487.	205.	234.	
Insurance - Health	10,230.	8,696.	716.	818.	
Office Expense	3,267.	2,777.	229.	261.	
Payroll Service Fees	1,241.	1,055.	87.	99.	
Telephone	3,024.	2,570.	212.	242.	
<b>Total to Fm 990, ln 43</b>	<b>45,346.</b>	<b>38,544.</b>	<b>3,175.</b>	<b>3,627.</b>	

Form 990 Statement of Program Service Accomplishments Statement 2

Description of Program Service Two

Public Education - Informing the public about environmental, consumer, and government reform issues, primarily through publications and the media - main projects include land use protections, alternative transportation & consumer rights

	Grants	Expenses
To Form 990, Part III, line b		55,461.

Form 990 Other Investments Statement 3

Description	Valuation Method	Amount
Investment in subsidiary	Cost	153,974.
<b>Total to Form 990, Part IV, line 56, Column B</b>		<b>153,974.</b>

Form 990 Identification of Related Organizations Statement 4  
Part VI, Line 80b

Name of Organization	Exempt	NonExempt
CoPIRG	X	
Environment Colorado	X	
Environment Colorado Research & Policy Center	X	

Schedule A Statement Regarding Activities with Substantial Contributors, Trustees, Directors, Creators, Key Employees, Etc,. Part III, Line 2 Statement 5

See Form 990, Part V

**Statement #5**

**List of the Board of Directors for  
CoPIRF  
#74-2313874  
FYE 8/31/03**

**Name & Address & Compensation\***

Lorez Meinhold 1701 W. 40 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Denver, CO 80211	\$0
Ron Binz 3243 Raleigh St. Denver, CO 80212	\$0
John Goldin-Dubois 1860 Larimer St. #360 Denver, CO 80202	\$0
Matt Baker 4337 Xavier St. Denver, CO 80212	\$16,739
Derek Cressman 2417 D Street Sacramento, CA 95816	\$0
Sonja Nash Murray 3240 Eastlake Ave, E Ste 100 Seattle, WA 98102	\$0
Chuck Malick 147 S. Holman Way Golden, CO 80401	\$0



If you are filing for an **Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** and check this box

**Note: Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.**

If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** (on page 1).

**Part II Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time - Must file Original and One Copy.**

Type or print.  File by the extended due date for filing the return See instructions	Name of Exempt Organization <b>Colorado Public Interest Research Foundation</b>	Employer identification number <b>74-2313874</b>
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions <b>1530 Blake Street</b>	For IRS use only
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code For a foreign address, see instructions <b>Denver, CO 80202</b>	

Check type of return to be filed (File a separate application for each return):

- Form 990     Form 990-EZ     Form 990-T (sec 401(a) or 408(a) trust)     Form 1041-A     Form 5227     Form 8870
- Form 990-BL     Form 990-PF     Form 990-T (trust other than above)     Form 4720     Form 6069

**STOP: Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.**

- If the organization does **not** have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a **Group Return**, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) \_\_\_\_\_ . If this is for the **whole** group, check this box  . If it is for **part** of the group, check this box  and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for

4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until July 15, 2004.

5 For calendar year \_\_\_\_\_, or other tax year beginning SEP 1, 2002 and ending AUG 31, 2003

6 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason:  Initial return     Final return     Change in accounting period

7 State in detail why you need the extension  
Information from third parties is needed to prepare an accurate and complete return

8a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

c **Balance Due.** Subtract line 8b from line 8a Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions \$ N/A

**Signature and Verification**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Notice to Applicant - To Be Completed by the IRS**

- We **have** approved this application Please attach this form to the organization's return.
- We **have not** approved this application. However, we have granted a 10-day grace period from the later of the date shown below or the due date of the organization's return (including any prior extensions) This grace period is considered to be a valid extension of time for elections otherwise required to be made on a timely return Please attach this form to the organization's return
- We **have not** approved this application After considering the reasons stated in item 7, we cannot grant your request for an extension of time to file. We are not granting the 10-day grace period
- We **cannot consider** this application because it was filed after the due date of the return for which an extension was requested
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Director \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Alternate Mailing Address** - Enter the address if you want the copy of this application for an additional 3-month extension returned to an address different than the one entered above

Type or print	Name <b>Bradley, Allen &amp; Associates, LLP</b>
	Number and street (include suite, room, or apt no) Or a P.O. box number <b>215 Union Blvd., Ste. 305</b>
	City or town, province or state, and country (including postal or ZIP code) <b>Lakewood, CO 80228</b>