## Non-Partisan, Objective, and Non-Discriminatory Criteria for **Debate Participation**

- Candidates, who are Participants or Limited Participants in the Campaign Finance Program, are eligible and required to participate in a Debate if they meet the specific criteria listed for that Debate.1
- The Sponsor may invite Campaign Finance Program Non-Participants to participate in the Debate if they meet the criteria required for Participants or Limited Participants.<sup>2</sup>

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- Must be on the ballot as of the date of the Debate<sup>3</sup> AND
- Must have raised and spent \$25,000 in compliance with the Act by the last filing date prior to the Debate, 4 which is August 14, 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Admin. Code § 3-709.5(1)(a), (5)(b)(i).
<sup>2</sup> Admin. Code § 3-709.5(5)(b)(ii).
<sup>3</sup> Admin. Code § 3-709.5(1)(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Admin. Code § 3-709.5(5)(b)(i).