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## PUBLIC APPROVAL FOR GOVERNOR HULL AND LEGISLATURE SLIDE IN WAKE OF ALT-FUELS SCANDAL

Phoenix, Arizona (February 1, 2001). Public displeasure with Governor Jane Hull has doubled over the past three months and now stands at 24 percent, the highest level since the first readings taken on her administration in 1997. Her favorable job ratings have also cascaded to 36 percent from 47 percent last October and from 51 percent last April. On balance, however, the governor receives more favorable ratings than unfavorable ones (36% favorable to 24% unfavorable).

A similar favorable rating, however, is not found as regards the state legislature, where as many people think they are doing a poor job as think they are doing a good job. Currently, the proportion who think the legislature is performing badly stands at 25 percent, the highest level since January of 1994.

In contrast, Arizonans are very pleased with their delegation in the U. S. Senate, a finding that is particularly true in the case of Senator John McCain for whom 63 percent rate his performance favorably. Additionally, Senator Jon Kyl's positive job rating rose to 47 percent, his best to date.

The findings outlined in this report are based on interviews with a random sample of 702 adults throughout Arizona conducted in January by the Behavior Research Center's independent and non-partisan Rocky Mountain Poll series. For more information you may visit <u>www.brcpolls.com</u>.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This Rocky Mountain Poll - Arizona (2001-I-05), is based on 702 interviews with adult heads of household throughout Arizona between January 10 and 15, 2001.Where necessary, figures for age, sex, race and political party were weighted to bring them into line with their actual proportion in the population. In a sample of this size, one can say with 95 percent certainty that the results have a statistical precision of plus or minus 3.77 percent of what they would have been had the entire adult population been surveyed. The Rocky Mountain Poll is conducted by the Behavior Research Center of Arizona and is an independent and non-partisan research program sponsored by the Center.

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**ENCLOSED:** Statistical tables.

## STATISTICAL DATA

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		Excellent/		Poor/Very	(Net Pos
		Good	Fair	Poor	To Neg)
U.S. Senator J	ohn McCain				
January	2001	63%	21%	7%	(+ 56)
October	2000	67	18	8	(+ 59)
July	2000	63	21	8	(+ 55)
April	2000	56	24	9	(+ 47)
January	2000	63	20	7	(+ 56)
October	1999	59	21	8	(+ 51)
July	1999	58	21	8	(+ 50)
April	1999	58	21	8	(+ 50)
January	1999	63	17	9	(+ 54)
October	1998	52	23	11	(+ 41)
July	1998	52	24	11	(+ 41)
April	1998	60	21	7	(+ 53)
January	1998	55	25	8	(+ 47)
January	1997	50	28	9	(+ 41)
January	1996	47	28	11	(+ 36)
January	1995	47	29	11	(+ 37)
January	1994	38	33	14	(+ 24)
January	1993	46	30	14	(+ 32)
January	1992	33	35	17	(+ 16)
January	1991	24	34	19	(+ 05)
January	1990	33	31	18	(+ 15)
January	1989	44	24	5	(+ 39)
U.S. Senator J	on Kyl				
January	2001	47%	23%	9%	(+ 38)
October	2000	46	26	7	(+ 39)
July	2000	39	32	7	(+ 32)
April	2000	37	26	10	(+ 27)
January	2000	40	26	8	(+ 32)
October	1999	38	26	9	(+ 29)
July	1999	43	28	8	(+ 35)
April	1999	39	27	9	(+ 30)
January	1999	42	25	8	(+ 34)
October	1998	37	27	10	(+ 27)
July	1998	41	29	8	(+ 33)
January	1998	42	28	9	(+ 33)
January	1997	36	32	8	(+ 28)
January	1996	33	31	13	(+ 20)

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## JOB PERFORMANCE RATING: STATEWIDE

"Would you say (OFFICIAL) is doing an excellent, good, fair, poor or very poor job in office?"

		Excellent\ Good	Fair	Poor/Very Poor	(Net Pos To Neg)
Covernor Iono	<b>U.</b> .11				
Governor Jane	<u>1011</u> 2001	36%	29%	24%	(+ 12)
<b>January</b> October	2001	47	<b>29%</b> 31	2 <b>4%</b> 12	(+ 35)
July	2000	51	29	12	(+ 33)
April	2000	41	32	13	(+ 28)
January	2000	50	30	10	(+ 40)
October	1999	55	26	8	(+ 47)
July	1999	58	23	7	(+ 51)
April	1999	58	23	5	(+ 53)
January	1999	65	20	4	(+ 61)
October	1998	57	23	3	(+ 54)
July	1998	55	27	5	(+ 50)
April	1998	57	23	5	(+ 52)
January	1998	56	20	3	(+ 53)
October	1997	45	20	4	(+ 41)
<u>Arizona State I</u>	<u>egislature</u>				
January	2001	25%	32%	25%	(-0-)
October	2000	31	35	16	(+ 15)
July	2000	25	37	18	(+ 7)
January	2000	30	36	18	(+ 12)
July	1999	30	32	18	(+ 12)
January	1999	37	33	11	(+ 26)
July	1998	25	38	21	(+ 4)
January	1998	31	35	18	(+ 13)
July	1997	27	39	17	(+ 10)
January	1997	28	40	17	(+ 11)
January	1996	22	46	17	(+ 5)
January	1995	22	41	15	(+ 7)
January	1994	23	39	22	(+ 1)
January	1993	15	39	26	(- 11)
April	1992	14	37	30	(- 16)
January	1991	15	35	30	(- 15)
January	1990	25	41	21	(+ 4)

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