# PEW RESEARCH CENTER APRIL 5-8, 2012 OMNIBUS FINAL TOPLINE N=1,000

#### PEW.1-PEW.5, PEW.11 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

NO PEW.6, PEW.9-10

#### ASK ALL:

PEW.7 Do you think the fact that the Republican primary contest has not yet been decided and is still going on is a good thing or a bad thing for the Republican Party?

| BASED ON<br>TOTAL: |                            | BASED ON REPUBLICAN/REPUBLICAN-LEANING<br>REGISTERED VOTERS [N=295]: |             |             |  |
|--------------------|----------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|--|
| Apr 5-8            |                            | Apr 5-8  | Mar 7-11    | Feb 8-12    |  |
| <u>2012</u>        |                            | <u>2012</u>  | <u>2012</u> | <u>2012</u> |  |
| 26                 | Good thing                 | 36   | 47          | 55          |  |
| 51                 | Bad thing                  | 47   | 43          | 36          |  |
| 5                  | Neither/Still early (VOL.) | 8  | 3           | 4           |  |
| 17                 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)  | 9  | 7           | 5           |  |

#### TREND FOR COMPARISON:

## **Dem/Dem Leaning Registered Voters**

|                           | Democration       | Democratic Primary Contest (Clinton/Obama) |             |             |  |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--|-------------|-------------|--|
|                           | May               | Apr  | Mar         | Late Feb    |  |
|                           | 2008 <sup>1</sup> | 2008                                       | <u>2008</u> | <u>2008</u> |  |
| Good thing                | 38                | 35   | 44          | 57          |  |
| Bad thing                 | 48                | 51   | 41          | 27          |  |
| Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 14                | 14   | 15          | 16          |  |

### ASK ALL:

PEW.8 From what you've read and heard, do you think Mitt Romney will definitely be the Republican nominee for president this year, or is there still a chance that another candidate will become the nominee?

| BASED ON TOTAL: |  | EPUBLICAN/REPUBLICAN-LEANING GISTERED VOTERS [N=295]: |
|-----------------|--|---|
| Apr 5-8         |  | Apr 5-8   |
| 2012            |  | <u>2012</u>   |
| 61              | Romney will definitely be the nominee                | 74  |
| 26              | Still a chance another candidate will be the nominee | 21  |
| 13              | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)                            | 6   |

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In May 2008, the question read: "Do you think the fact that the contest between Clinton and Obama is still going on is a good thing or a bad thing for the Democratic Party?" In April 2008 and earlier, the question read: "Do you think the fact that the contest between Clinton and Obama has not yet been decided is ..."