

LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - **All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page**

1. Registrant Name:

ALPINE GROUP, INC

2. Address:

660 Pennsylvania Ave, SE Suite 201, Washington, DC 20003

3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2):

4. Contact Name: ALICIA FITZPATRICK

Telephone: (202) 548-2316

E-mail (optional): AFITZPATRICK@ALPINEGROUP.COM

Senate ID #: 1171-517

House ID #: 31749052

7. Client Name: ☐ Self

SWEDISH MATCH, NA

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2005 Midyear (January 1 - June 30): ☐ **OR** Year End (July 1 - December 31): ☒

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report: ☐

10. Check if this is a Termination Report: ☐ => Termination Date: 11. No Lobbying Activity: ☐

INCOME OR EXPENSES

Complete Either Line 12 **OR** Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms

INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$10,000: ☐

\$10,000 or more: ☒ => Income (nearest \$20,000): 100,000.00

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).

13. Organizations

EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$10,000: ☐

\$10,000 or more: ☐ => Expenses (nearest \$20,000): _____

14. Reporting Method.

Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

- ☐ **Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only
☐ **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code
☐ **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

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LOBBYING ACTIVITY.

Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code: F00 (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Tobacco Issues in General

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: MEANS, GREG

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: WHITE, RICHARD C.

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. **None**

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15. General issue area code: TOB (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

HR 1376, Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act HR 1377, Smuggled Tobacco Prevention Act of 2005 HR 1825, Small Tobacco Farmer Tax Relief Act of 2005 S 1074, Healthy Lifestyles and Prevention America Act, HeLP America Act S 666, Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act Issues related to tobacco buyout

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: MEANS, GREG

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: WHITE, RICHARD C.

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above.

Swedish Match AB is the Stockholm, Sweden, based parent company of Swedish Match North America. This legislation could significantly alter how the subsidiary company packages and markets its products.

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15. General issue area code: TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Issues related to embargoes on Cuban trade. Issues related to Cuban trade generally.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: MEANS, GREG

Covered Official Position (if applicable):

Name: WHITE, RICHARD C.

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Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 08, 2006

Printed Name and Title: Alicia Fitzpatrick, Associate -