

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

U S PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP

2. Address:

218 D STREET, SE, WASHINGTON, DC 20003

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

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E-mail (optional): rick@pirg.org

Senate ID #: 38814-12

House ID #: 325310000

7. Client Name: ☒ Self

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2006 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): _____

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): 216,049.00

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Banking Regulations & General Banking Issues, Bank Fees, Credit Unions, Savings & Loans

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

Federal Reserve System

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

Treasury, Dept of

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

Name: MIERZWINSKI, EDMUND M.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

Registrant Name: U S PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP Client Name: Self

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Personal Bankruptcy

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: MIERZWINSKI, EDMUND M.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

Registrant Name: U S PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP Client Name: Self

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Budget, Appropriations Bills, Taxes All of the above alone and as they relate & effect other U.S. PIRG issues.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Office of Management & Budget (OMB)

SENATE

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: BROWN, ZACK

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: FIDIS, ALEX

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: FIGDOR, EMILY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: GRAVITZ, MIKE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: JOHNSON, KATE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: LEAVITT, CHRISTY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MIERZWINSKI, EDMUND M.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: TATHAM, JUSTIN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: CAW/ (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Clean Air, Clean Water, Safe Drinking Water, Mercury Pollution, General Air & Water Pollution Issues

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

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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

Name: DUNHAM, BEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: FIGDOR, EMILY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: GRAVITZ, MIKE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: JOHNSON, KATE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: LEAVITT, CHRISTY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Chemical Plant Security, Chemical Safety, Toxics Release Inventory, Toxics/Right to Know, Superfund, Pollution Prevention

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

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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

Name: FIDIS, ALEX

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: CSP (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Consumer Protection, Consumer Rights, Product Safety

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

Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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

Name: BROWN, PAUL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: FAZLULLAH, AMINA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MIERZWINSKI, EDMUND M.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: EDU (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Student Aid, Student Loans, National Service, Higher Education Act, Student Rights

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

Education, Dept of
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

Name: LINDSTROM, CHRIS

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: SWARTHOUT, LUKE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: ENG (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Clean Energy, Nuclear Power, Energy Efficiency, Global Warming/Climate Change, General Energy Bills

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

Energy, Dept of
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Interior, Dept of (DOI)
SENATE

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: BROWN, ZACK
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: DUNHAM, BEN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: FIGDOR, EMILY
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GRAVITZ, MIKE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: JOHNSON, KATE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: TATHAM, JUSTIN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: ENV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Toxics/Right to Know, Toxics Release Inventory, Pesticides, Polluter Pay, EPA Budget, Regulatory Issues, Superfund, Other General Environmental Issues

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

Agriculture, Dept of (USDA)
Energy, Dept of
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Interior, Dept of (DOI)
SENATE

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: DUNHAM, BEN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: FIDIS, ALEX
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: FIGDOR, EMILY
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GRAVITZ, MIKE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
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Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: TATHAM, JUSTIN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Fair Credit, Financial Services, Credit Privacy, Identity Theft

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

Federal Reserve System

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

Treasury, Dept of

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

Name: MIERZWINSKI, EDMUND M.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: F00 (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Food Safety Genetically Modified (GMO) Food

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

Agriculture, Dept of (USDA)
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Food & Drug Administration (FDA)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

Name: FIDIS, ALEX

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: FUE (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Subsidies of the Fossil Fuel Industry Subsidies of the Nuclear Industry Gas & Energy Prices

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

Energy, Dept of
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Interior, Dept of (DOI)
SENATE

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: DUNHAM, BEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: FIGDOR, EMILY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: GRAVITZ, MIKE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: TATHAM, JUSTIN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: GOV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Campaign Finance Reform, Lobbying & Ethics Reform, Election Reform

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

Federal Election Commission (FEC)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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

Name: KALMAN, GARY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: LIOZ, ADAM

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: MAR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Oceans Preservation Overfishing Bycatch Offshore Drilling

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Natl Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

SENATE

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

Name: GRAVITZ, MIKE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: MIA (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Media Consolidation Media Reform

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

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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

Name: FAZLULLAH, AMINA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MIERZWINSKI, EDMUND M.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: NAT (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Forests Protection, Endangered Species, Wetlands, Everglades, Arctic Refuge, Public Lands, Wilderness

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

Agriculture, Dept of (USDA)
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Interior, Dept of (DOI)
SENATE

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: BROWN, ZACK
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GRAVITZ, MIKE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: LEAVITT, CHRISTY
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: TATHAM, JUSTIN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: RES (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Conservation & Preservation in Forests and Public Lands Road-building in Forest and Public Lands

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

Agriculture, Dept of (USDA)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Interior, Dept of (DOI)
SENATE

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: BROWN, ZACK
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: TATHAM, JUSTIN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

Registrant Name: U S PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP Client Name: Self

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

"Net Neutrality" Internet Freedom Telecommunication Company Mergers

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

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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

Name: FAZLULLAH, AMINA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MIERZWINSKI, EDMUND M.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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:

Tobacco & Smoking Health and Safety

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

Agriculture, Dept of (USDA)

Food & Drug Administration (FDA)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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

Name: MIERZWINSKI, EDMUND M.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: TRA (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Public Transportation & Rail; Highway Bills; Pollution from Cars, Trucks, Buses; Fuel Efficiency, Anti-Environmental Subsidies Related to Transportation

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

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

Transportation, Dept of (DOT)

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: DUNHAM, BEN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: FIGDOR, EMILY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: JOHNSON, KATE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Fair Trade Issues, Labeling of Products (concerns between U.S. & other countries), Environmental Protection in Trade Agreements

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

Agriculture, Dept of (USDA)
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MIERZWINSKI, EDMUND M.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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: UTI (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Utility Deregulation, PUHCA

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

Energy, Dept of

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: FIGDOR, EMILY

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: JOHNSON, KATE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Nuclear Waste, Hazardous Waste, Toxic Waste, Superfund

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

Energy, Dept of
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

Name: AURILIO, ANNA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: FIDIS, ALEX

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 13, 2007

Printed Name and Title: RICHARD TRILSCH, ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR -