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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name The Potomac Group			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address 816 Connecticut Avenue, NW Tenth Floor City Washington State/Zip (or Country) DC 20006			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name Wayne Smith	Telephone 202-783-3460	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate ID # 31918-202
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Watson Energy, L.L.C.			6. House ID # 33426-016

8. Year 2001 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 8/1/2001

11. No Lobbying Activity

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13	
<p>12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>520,000.00</u> Income (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>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).</p>	<p>13. Organizations</p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(c) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>

Signature _____

Date 7/16/2001

Printed Name and Title Wayne Smith - President/CEO

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Registrant Name: The Potomac Group

Client Name: Watson Energy, L.L.C.

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 ENG (one per page)
- 16. Specific Lobbying issues
Petroleum incentives for independent oil producers

- 17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
House of Representatives
Senate

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Hegg, Richard		Yes
Smith, Wayne		No

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

Signature _____ Date 7/16/2001

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Registrant Name: The Potomac Group

Client Name: Watson Energy, L.L.C.

Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

1590 West Causeway Approach, Mandeville, LA, 70471-3046

21. Client new principal place of business (if different from line 20)

City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____

22. New general description of client's business or activities

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is **no longer** expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that **no longer** pertain

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is **no longer** affiliated with the registrant or client

FOREIGN ENTITIES

27. Add the following foreign entities

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	Ownership % in client

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that **no longer** owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant, client, or affiliated organization

Signature _____ Date 7/16/2001

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