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Re: Lobbying Report - Midyear 2000
Northwestern Steel & Wire Co. - Senate ID #41408-443; House ID #30483045

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find the Midyear Lobbying Report for the period January 1, 2000 - June 30, 2000, for Registrant Wiley, Rein & Fielding, for client Northwestern Steel & Wire Co.

Also enclosed is an additional copy of the Midyear Lobbying Report marked "Duplicate" to be stamped and returned.

Should you have any questions regarding this Report, please do not hesitate to call our office.

Sincerely,



Joyce D. Hopkins

Project Assistant

Enclosures

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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name Wiley, Rein & Fielding			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: _____ State/Zip (or Country): _____			
4. Contact Name Eileen P. Bradner	Telephone (202) 719-3385	E-mail (optional) ebradner@wrf.com	5. Senate ID # #41408-443
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Northwestern Steel & Wire Co.	6. House ID # #30483045		

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2000 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	
<p>12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ _____ <small>Income (nearest \$20,000)</small></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"/> ⇒ \$ _____ <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small></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(e) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>

Signature *Eileen P. Bradner*

Printed Name and Title Eileen P. Bradner - Partner

Registrant Name Wiley, Rein & Fielding Client Name Northwestern Steel & Wire Co.

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 TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Support enactment and enforcement of strong U.S. trade laws.
 Support U.S. wire rod industry's efforts to obtain import relief under Section 201 of the Trade Act of 1974.
 Support enactment and implementation of the Emergency Steel Loan Guarantee Program.
 Support application for federal steel loan guarantee under the Emergency Steel Loan Guarantee Act of 1999.

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

Check if None

House of Representatives	U.S. Department of Commerce
United States Senate	U.S. Department of Labor
Executive Office of the President	U.S. Department of State
Office of the Vice President	U.S. Department of Treasury
Office of the United States Trade Representative	Council of Economic Advisors

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Eileen P. Bradner		<input type="checkbox"/>
Charles Owen Verrill, Jr.		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jim Slattery		<input type="checkbox"/>
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		<input type="checkbox"/>
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above

Check if None

Signature *Eileen P. Bradner* Date 8-14-00

Printed Name and Title Eileen P. Bradner - Partner