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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name BRACEWELL & PATTERSON, L.L.P.			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 2000 K STREET, NW, SUITE 500			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) WASHINGTON DC 20006 City: State/zip (or Country)			
4. Contact Name	Telephone	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate ID #
MICHAEL L. PATE	(202) 828-5841	mike.pate@bracepatt.com	
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self VALERO ENERGY CORP.			6. House ID # 31699033

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2004 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-Dec
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

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ <u>110,000.00</u> <small>Income (nearest \$20,000)</small>	EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ _____ <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small>
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).	14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate reporting method. See instructions for description of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definition <input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033 Internal Revenue Code <input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 1624 Internal Revenue Code

Signature _____

Date 09/01/2004



Registrant Name BRACEWELL & PATTERSON, L.L.P. Client Name VALERO ENERGY CORP.

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

15. General issue area code ENV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Clean Air Act RFG Clean Air Reform Bill MACT OSHA Reform Opt-Ins

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

House Senate Environmental Protection Agency
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18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Ed Bethune	
William T. Brack	
Jim Chapman	
Gene E. Godley	
Scott H. Segl	

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

Signature _____ Date 09/01/2004

Printed Name and Title MICHAEL L. PATE, PARTNER



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15. General issue area code TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

National Sales Tax
 Corporate Welfare
 Superfund
 Depreciation of Natural Gas Gathering Lines
 Fiscal Year 2004 Budget/President's Tax Proposal

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

House
 Senate
 Environmental Protection Agency

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Ed Bethune	
William T. Brack	
Jim Chapman	
Gene E. Godley	
Michael L. Pate	
Scott H. Segl	

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

Pipeline Merger
Product Liability Reform
S. 2120, H.R. 1759 - To amend Section 313 of the Tariff Act of 1930 to modify the provisions relating to drawback claims and for other purposes
S. 2121 - To amend Section 313 of the Tariff Act of 1930 to simplify and clarify certain drawback provisions
H.R. 1736 - To amend section 313 of the Tariff Act of 1930 to make certain products eligible for drawback and to simplify and clarify certain drawback provisions
H.R. 3009 - Trade Act of 2002

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

House
Senate

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

20. Client new address

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

Robert F. Housman and Lisa M. Jaeger

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 B (city and state or cc

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

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

Signature _____

Michael L. Pate

Date _____

09/01/200

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