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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name Piper Rudnick LLP			
2. Registrant Address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address 1200 19th Street, N.W. City Washington State/Zip (or Country) DC 20036			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name John H. Zentay	Telephone (202) 861-6481	E-mail (optional) john.zentay@piperrudnick.com	5. Senate ID # 76855-1712
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Merrill Lynch			6. House ID # 32113094

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2003 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 Lobbyi

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13	
<p align="center">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>\$260,000.00</u> <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 align="center">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 accounting method. See instructions for description of</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definition</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033 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 _____ Date **8/14/2003**

Printed Name and Title **John H. Zentay - Partner** _____ Page

Signature _____ Date 01/14/2003

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Registrant Name: Piper Rudnick LLP

Client Name: Merrill Lynch

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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
Patel, Rita M.

ISSUE UPDATE

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

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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

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

Signature _____ Date 8/14/2003



Printed Name and Title John H. Zentay - Partner Page _____