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# LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name <b>Capitolink, LLC</b>			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address <b>6212 Foxcroft</b> City <b>Alexandria</b> State/Zip (or Country) <b>VA 22307</b> <b>USA</b>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City <b>Washington, DC</b> State/Zip (or Country) <b>20005</b> <b>USA</b>			
4. Contact Name <b>John Thorne</b>	Telephone <b>2028723865</b>	E-mail (optional) <b>jthorne@capitolink.com</b>	5. Senate ID # <b>43252-152</b>
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self <b>Smithfield Foods, Inc.</b>	6. House ID # <b>33030014</b>		

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><b>12. Lobbying Firms</b></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"/> &gt;&gt; \$ <u>\$60,000.00</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><b>13. Organizations</b></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"/> &gt;&gt; \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p><b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> 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 John Thorne

Date 02/06/2001

Printed Name and Title John Thorne - Managing Director

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Registrant Name: Capitolink, LLC

Client Name: Smithfield Foods, Inc.

**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 CAW (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues  
**Lobbied federal agencies and Congress regarding EPA enforcement actions against livestock operations over CERCLA air emissions**

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

**Department of Agriculture  
Environmental Protection Agency  
House of Representatives  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Senate**

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
<b>Atwood, Deborah</b>		<b>No</b>
<b>Thorne, John</b>		<b>No</b>

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

Signature *John Thorne* Date 02/06/2001

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