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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name JAMES NICHOLAS ASHMORE & ASSOCIATES			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 1155 15th STREET NW SUITE 504 WASHINGTON, DC 20005			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: _____ State/Zip (or Country): _____			
4. Contact Name ELISABETH HUNTER	Telephone 202-452-1003	E-mail (optional) mcaden@erols.com	5. Senate ID # 4391-51
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self NATIONAL RURAL TELECOM ASSN.	6. House ID # 33246002		

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 1999 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 style="text-align: center;">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 style="text-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 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 James N. Ashmore, President August 6, 1999

Printed Name and Title JAMES N. ASHMORE, PRESIDENT

Registrant Name JAMES N. ASHMORE & ASSOC. Client Name NATIONAL RURAL TELECOM ASSN.

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 AGR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

ADMINISTRATION PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE RURAL TELEPHONE BANK OF THE RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE INTO A PERFORMANCE BASED ORGANIZATION AND TREATMENT OF RURAL TELEPHONE BANK IN HOUSE (HR 1906) and SENATE (S 1233) VERSIONS OF LEGISLATION MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000.

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

Check if None

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, OFFICE OF SECRETARY
RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
JAMES N. ASHMORE, PRESIDENT	

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above

Check if None

Signature James N. Ashmore, President Date 8/6/99
Printed Name and Title JAMES N. ASHMORE, PRESIDENT

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Form LD-2 (Rev. 6/98)

Registrant Name JAMES N. ASHMORE & ASSOC. Client Name NATIONAL RURAL TELECOM ASSN.

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

20. Client new address

N/A

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

N/A

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that no longer pertain

N/A

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

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

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

N/A

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
N/A			

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

N/A

Signature James N. Ashmore, President Date 8/6/99

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