

## LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

**US TELECOM ASSN**

2. Address:

607 14TH STREET, NW, #400, WASHINGTON, DC 20005

3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2):

4. Contact Name: WILLIAM R. DEERE

Telephone: 2023267292

E-mail (optional): bdeere@ustelecom.org

Senate ID #: 38847-12

House ID #:

7. Client Name:  Self

## TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2007 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

### 12. Lobbying Firms

**INCOME** relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$10,000:

\$10,000 or more:  => Income (nearest \$20,000): \_\_\_\_\_

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).

### 13. Organizations

**EXPENSES** relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$10,000:

\$10,000 or more:  => Expenses (nearest \$20,000): 4,660,000.00

### 14. Reporting Method.

Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

- Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only  
 **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code  
 **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

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## 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: BUD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 2829, Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2008 H.R. 3058, Public Land Communities Transition Assistance Act of 2007 H.R. 3161, Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008 H.R. 3222, Making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes (Continuing Appropriations through Dec. 14, 2007) H.J. Res.52, Making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes (through Nov. 16, 2007) H.J. Res.69, Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes (through Dec. 21, 2007) H.J. Res.72, Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes (through Dec. 31, 2007) H.R. 2764, Making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes (FY08 Omnibus)

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SENATE

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

Name: COHEN, DAVID

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: DEERE, BILL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: HEINER, BRANDON

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: HIGHFILL, CLINTON

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MCCORMICK, WALTER B. JR.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: VERSAGGI, SARAH

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 1818, Broadband Deployment Acceleration Act of 2007 H.R. 2138, Investment in America Act of 2007 H.R. 2380, Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act of 2007 H.R. 3003, To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives to encourage diversity of ownership of telecommunications businesses, and for other purposes H.R. 3056, Tax Collection Responsibility Act of 2007 H.R. 3678, Internet Tax Freedom Act Amendments Act of 2007 H.R. 3996, Tax Increase Prevention Act of 2007 H.R. 3997, Defenders of Freedom Tax Relief Act of 2007 S. 14, A bill to repeal the sunset on certain tax rates and other incentives and to repeal the individual alternative minimum tax, and for other purposes S. 41, Research Competitiveness Act of 2007 S. 140, Telephone Excise Tax Repeal Act of 2007 S. 156, Permanent Internet Tax Freedom Act of 2007 S. 170, Telephone Excise Tax Repeal Act of 2007 S. 777, Withholding Tax Relief Act of 2007 S. 1453, Internet Tax Freedom Act (ITFA) Extension Act of 2007 S. 2128, Permanent Internet Tax Freedom Act of 2007 S. 2209, Research Credit Improvement Act of 2007 H.R. 743, Permanent Internet Tax Freedom Act of 2007 H.R. 1023, To repeal the imposition of withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities H.R. 1077, Internet Consumer Protection Act of 2007 H.R. 1194, Telephone Excise Tax Repeal Act of 2007

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SENATE

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

Name: DEERE, BILL

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: HEINER, BRANDON

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: HIGHFILL, CLINTON

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: HURLEY-GRAVES, CAROLINE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MCCORMICK, WALTER B. JR.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: VERSAGGI, SARAH

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

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15. General issue area code: TEC (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 609, To amend section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934 to provide that funds received as universal service contributions and the universal service support programs established pursuant to that section are not subject to certain provisions of title 31, United States Code, commonly known as the Antideficiency Act. S. 704, Truth in Caller ID Act of 2007 S. 711, Universal Service for the 21st Century Act S. 744, Spectrum Availability for Emergency-Response and Law-Enforcement to Improve Vital Emergency Services Act S. 780, Protecting Consumer Phone Records Act S. 781, Do-Not-Call Registry Fee Extension Act of 2007 S. 1032, Rural Broadband Initiative Act of 2007 S. 1178, Identity Theft Prevention Act S. 1190, Connect The Nation Act S. 1260, Data Security Act of 2007 S. 1439, Rural Broadband Improvement Act of 2007 S. 1492, Broadband Data Improvement Act S. 1625, Counter Spy Act S. 1654, To prohibit the sale or provision of caller ID spoofing services. S. 1769, Same Number Act of 2007 S. 1853, Community Broadband Act S. 1965, Protecting Children in the 21st Century Act S. 2096, Do-Not-Call Improvement Act of 2007 S. 2168, Identity Theft Enforcement and Restitution Act of 2007 S. 2302, Food and Energy Security Act of 2007 S. 2317, Intellectual Property Enforcement Act of 2007 S. 2469, Protecting Consumers through Proper Forbearance Procedures Act S. Res. 191, Establishing a national goal for the universal deployment of next-generation broadband networks to access the Internet and for other uses by 2015, and calling upon Congress and the President to develop a strategy, enact legislation, and adopt policies to accomplish this objective. H.R. 278, To amend section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934 to provide that funds received as universal service contributions and the universal service support programs established pursuant to that section are not subject to certain provisions of title 31, United States Code, commonly known as the Antideficiency Act. H.R. 372, Freedom from Automated Political Calls Act H.R. 740, Preventing Harassment through Outbound Number Enforcement (PHONE) Act of 2007 H.R. 836, Cyber-Security Enhancement and Consumer Data Protection Act of 2007 H.R. 852, Consumer Telephone Records Protection Act of 2007 H.R. 936, Prevention of Fraudulent Access to Phone Records Act H.R. 958, Data Accountability and Trust Act H.R. 964, Securely Protect Yourself Against Cyber Trespass Act or Spy Act H.R. 1383, Quelling of Unwanted Intrusive and Excessive Telephone Calls Act of 2007 H.R. 1525, Internet Spyware (I-SPY) Prevention Act of 2007 H.R. 2035, Rural Broadband Improvement Act H.R. 2054, Universal Service Reform Act of 2007 H.R. 2174, Rural Broadband Initiative Act of 2007 H.R. 2419, Farm Bill Extension Act of 2007 H.R. 2569, Rural Broadband Deployment Act H.R. 2601, Do-Not-Call Registry Fee Extension Act of 2007 H.R. 2720, Food and Agriculture Risk Management for the 21st Century Act of 2007 H.R. 2725, Alarm Customer VOIP Notification Act of 2007 H.R. 2953, Rural Broadband Access Enhancement Act H.R. 3246, Regional Economic and Infrastructure Development Act of 2007 H.R. 3281, Community Broadband Act of 2007 H.R. 3298, 21st Century Servicemembers Protection Act H.R. 3403, 911 Modernization and Public Safety Act of 2007 H.R. 3428, Rural America Digital Accessibility Act H.R. 3482, Same Number Act of 2007 H.R. 3541, Do-Not-Call Improvement Act of 2007 H.R. 3627, Connect The Nation Act H.R. 3786, Servicemembers Telecom Contract Relief Act H.R. 3791, SAFE Act of 2007 H.R. 3871, e-KIDS Act of 2007 H.R. 3893, Connect America Now Act H.R. 3914, Protecting Consumers through Proper Forbearance Procedures Act H.R. 3919, Broadband Census of America Act of 2007 H.R. 4175, Privacy and Cybercrime Enforcement Act of 2007 H.R. 4279, Prioritizing Resources and Organization for Intellectual Property Act of 2007 H.R. 4298, To direct the Federal Trade Commission to revise the regulations regarding the do-not-call registry to prohibit politically-oriented recorded message telephone calls to telephone numbers listed on that registry. S. 92, Protecting Consumer Phone Records Act S. 93, 911 Modernization Act S. 101, Universal Service for Americans Act S. 215, Internet Freedom Preservation Act S. 234, Wireless Innovation Act of 2007 S. 337, White Spaces Act of 2007 S. 385, Interoperable Emergency Communications Act S. 428, IP-Enabled Voice Communications and Public Safety Act of 2007 S. 495, Personal Data Privacy and Security Act of 2007 S. 541, Rural Opportunities Act of 2007 H.R. 42, Serving Everyone with Reliable, Vital Internet, Communications, and Education Act of 2007 H.R. 248, Robo Calls Off Phones (Robo COP) Act H.R. 251, Truth in Caller ID Act of 2007 H.R. 275, Global Online Freedom Act of 2007

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SENATE

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

Name: AMONTREE, TOM  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: BANKS, JONATHAN  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: COHEN, DAVID  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: DEERE, BILL  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: HEINER, BRANDON  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A  
Name: HIGHFILL, CLINTON  
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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Name: HOPPER, REGINA

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: MCCORMICK, WALTER B. JR.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: OBERWETTER, BROOKE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: RUPY, KEVIN

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: SOROKA, TOM

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: VERSAGGI, SARAH

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 14, 2008

Printed Name and Title: WILLIAM R. DEERE, VP OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS -

**Information Update Page:**

**Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.**

**LOBBYIST UPDATE**

**23. Name of each previously reported individual who is NO LONGER expected to act as a lobbyist for the client**

Name: DELIA, ANDY

Name: MERLIS, EDWARD

**ISSUE UPDATE**

**24. General lobbying issues previously reported that NO LONGER pertain**

**AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS**

**25. Add the following organization(s)**

**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**

**28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity the NO LONGER owns, OR controls, OR is affiliated with the registrant, client or affiliated organization**

Signature: ON FILE      Date: Feb 14, 2008

Printed Name and Title: -