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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant name

Organization **Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P.**

2. Address Check if different than previously reported

2000 K STREET, NW

SUITE 500

City **WASHINGTON**

State **DC**

Zip Code **20006-1872**

Country **US**

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

City	State	Zip Code	Country
City	State/Zip or Country		
4a. Contact Name Prefix Mr. Full Name Michael L. Pate	b. Telephone number (202) 828-5841	c. E-mail michael.pate@bracepatt.com	5. Senate ID #
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self MDU Resources Group			6. House ID # 3169912

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2004 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 \Rightarrow Termination Date _____

11. No Lobbying Act

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 \Rightarrow \$ 40,000

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 \Rightarrow \$ _____

14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of optional methods.

- Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions
- Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(1) of Internal Revenue Code
- Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of Internal Revenue Code

Form C

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Registrant Name Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. Client Name MDU Resources Group

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 ENG - Energy/Nuclear (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Promote and avoid impediments to development of coalbed methane natural gas

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

House
Senate
Environmental Protection Agency
Department of Energy

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

First Name	Name Last Name	Suffix	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Ed	Bethune		
William T.	Brack		
Jim	Chapman		
Gene E.	Godley		
Michael L.	Pate		
Scott H.	Segal		
Edward	Krenik		Assoc. Admin. Congressional & Intergovernmental Relations, Environmental Protection Agency
Frank V.	Maisano		

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

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15. General issue area code ENV - Environmental/Superfund (one per page)

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