

LOBBYING REGISTRATION

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 4)

Check if this is an Amended Registration 1. Effective Date of Registration 02/17/2009
 2. House Identification Number _____ Senate Identification Number _____

REGISTRANT

3. Registrant Name **PRESTON GATES ELLIS & ROUVELAS MEEDS LLP**
 Address **1735 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W. SUITE 500**
 City **WASHINGTON** State **DC** Zip **20006-5209**
 4. Principal place of business (if different from line 3)
 City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____
 5. Telephone number and contact name Contact E-Mail (optional)
202-628-1700 ROSANNE PHELIPS
 6. General description of registrant's business or activities
Law Firm

CLIENT

A lobbying firm is required to file a separate registration for each client. Organizations employing in-house lobbyists should check the box labeled "Self" and proceed to line 10. Self

7. Client Name **NATIONAL PRODUCE PRODUCTION, INC.**
 Address **220 EAST 65TH STREET, SUITE 5K**
 City **NEW YORK** State **NY** Zip **10021**
 8. Principal place of business (if different from line 7)
 City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____
 9. General description of client's business or activities
Development of thermophilic anaerobic digestion production and greenhouse facilities.

LOBBYISTS

10. Name of each individual who has acted or is expected to act as a lobbyist for the client identified on line 7. If any person listed in this section has served as a "covered executive branch official" or "covered legislative branch official" within two years of first acting as a lobbyist for this client, state the executive and/or legislative position(s) in which the person served.

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
JACK ARRAMOFF	
AMY BERGER	
WERNER BRANDT	
JENNIFER CALVERT	L.A. Rep. Joel Hefley

Registrant Name: **PRESTON GATES ELLIS & ROUVELAS MEEDS LLP**

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Item	Description	Data
10a	Lobbyist Name	DAVID FINDERBURK
10b	Covered Official Position	CONGRESSMAN
10a	Lobbyist Name	BRUCE HEIMAN
10b	Covered Official Position	
10a	Lobbyist Name	WILLIAM JARRELL
10b	Covered Official Position	
10a	Lobbyist Name	RALPH NURNBERGER
10b	Covered Official Position	
10a	Lobbyist Name	PATRICK PIZZELLA
10b	Covered Official Position	
10a	Lobbyist Name	KEVIN RING
10b	Covered Official Position	Ex. Dir. Hs Cons. Act. Team; Counsel US Sen. Jud. Com
10a	Lobbyist Name	DANIEL RITTER
10b	Covered Official Position	
10a	Lobbyist Name	EMANUEL ROUVELAS
10b	Covered Official Position	
10a	Lobbyist Name	STEVEN VALENTINE
10b	Covered Official Position	Leg. Dir & Gen. Counsel Sen. Bob Smith

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LOBBYING ISSUES

11. General lobbying issue areas. Select all applicable codes listed in instructions and on the reverse side of Form LD-1, page 1.

AGR, BAN

12. Specific lobbying issues (current and anticipated)

To secure a federal loan guarantee for the financing of thermophilic anaerobic digestion of manure raw material facilities integrated with and adjacent to highly industrialized computer-controlled greenhouse facilities.

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

13. Is there an entity other than the client that contributes more than \$10,000 to the lobbying activities of the registrant in a semiannual period and in whole or major part plans, supervises, or controls the registrant's lobbying activities?

No. Go to line 14.

Yes. Complete the rest of this section for each entity matching the criteria above, then proceed to line 14.

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

FOREIGN ENTITIES

14. Is there any foreign entity that:

- a) holds at least 20% equitable ownership in the client or any organization identified on line 13; or
- b) directly or indirectly, in whole or in major part, plans, supervises, controls, directs, finances, or subsidizes activities of the client or any organization identified on line 13; or
- c) is an affiliate of the client or any organization identified on line 13 and has a direct interest in the outcome of the lobbying activity?

No. Sign and date the registration.

Yes. Complete the rest of this section for each entity matching the criteria above, then sign and date the registration.

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	Ownership percentage in client

Signature

Steven Valentine

Date **02/29/2000**

Printed Name and Title

STEVEN VALENTINE - OF COUNSEL