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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>1156 Fifteenth Street, NW</b> Suite <b>304</b> City <b>Washington</b> State/Zip (or Country) <b>DC 20005</b> <b>USA</b>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name <b>John Thorne</b>	Telephone <b>2028723865</b>	E-mail (optional) <b>jthorne@capitolink.com</b>	5. Senate ID # <b>43252-87</b>
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self <b>National Pork Producers Council</b>			6. House ID # <b>33030003</b>

**TYPE OF REPORT** 8. Year 2002 Midyear (January 1-June 30)  OR Year End (July 1-De

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 Lobby

### INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
<b>INCOME</b> relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:	<b>EXPENSES</b> relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:
Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/>	Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>\$60,000.00</u> Income (nearest \$20,000)	\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ Expenses (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).	<b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method A.</b> Reporting amounts using LDA defini
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method B.</b> Reporting amounts under section 603 the Internal Revenue Code
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method C.</b> Reporting amounts under section 162 Internal Revenue Code

Signature

*John Thorne*

Date 9/17/1902

Printed Name and Title **John Thorne - Managing Director**



Registrant Name: Capitolink, LLC

Client Name: National Pork Producers Council

**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
  - H.R. 2646, Farm Security Act of 2001 & Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, farm bill
  - HR 2375, To promote the conservation and preservation of working farms, ranches and forests, farm bill
  - S. 1326, A bill to extend and improve working lands and other conservation programs administered by the S Agriculture., farm bill
  - S. 1628, A bill to strengthen the safety net for agricultural producers, to enhance resource conservation and development, to provide for farm credit, agricultural research, nutrition, and related programs, to ensure an abundant food and fiber, and fo, farm bill
  - S. 1673, A bill to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011., farm bill
  - S. 1731 , Agriculture, Conservation, & Rural Enhancement Act of 2002, farm bill
  - S. 932, A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to establish the conservation security program., farm bill
  - S.1571, A bill to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2006., farm bill

- 17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None
  - Department of Agriculture; USDA Office of the Secretary
  - Environmental Protection Agency
  - Executive Office of the President
  - 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)
Hebert, Tom	former Deputy Undersecretary, USDA/NRE
Klippenstein, Jackie	

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

Signature John Thorne Date 9/17/1902



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Item	Description	Data
16	Lobbying Issues	<p data-bbox="698 262 1549 336"><b>Livestock waste management problems and need for federal support to deal these issues;</b></p> <p data-bbox="698 357 1549 430"><b>Implications of EPA rulemaking on Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) ; livestock NPDES permits and effluent limitations guidelines (ELGs);</b></p> <p data-bbox="698 451 1549 525"><b>Implications of USDA standards for application of nutrients in animal waste cropland.</b></p>



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15. General issue area code BUD (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

**H.R. 5263, Making Appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Agencies for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2003, and for other Purposes, USDA appropriations**  
**S. 1216, Making Appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development Sundry Independent Agencies, Boards, Commissions, Corporations, and Offices for the Fiscal Year Ending 30, 2002, and for other Purposes, EPA appropriations**  
**S. 2797, Making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development Sundry Independent Agencies, Boards, Commissions, Corporations, and Offices for the Fiscal Year Ending 30, 2003, and for other Purposes, EPA Appropriations**  
**Called on USDA and EPA relative to Congressional appropriations activities**

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

**Environmental Protection Agency**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Senate**  
**USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service**  
**USDA Office of the Secretary**

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<b>Hebert, Tom</b>	<b>former Deputy Undersecretary, USDA/NRE</b>
<b>Klippenstein, Jackie</b>	

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

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16	Lobbying Issues	S. 2801, An original bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes. , USDA Appropriations



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15. General issue area code CAW (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

Lobbied federal agencies and Congress regarding (a) EPA enforcement actions against livestock operations; CERCLA air emissions; (b) EPA proposed regulations revising livestock NPDES permits and effluent limitation guidelines; (c) USDA regarding standards for application of livestock waste to cropland; (d) development by processing effluent limitations guidelines; and (e) EPA, USDA and Congress regarding EPA regulations on total maximum daily loads (TMDLs).

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

Department of Agriculture  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Executive Office of the President  
House of Representatives  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Senate

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<b>Klippenstein, Jackie</b>	
<b>Thorne, John</b>	

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Item	Description	Data
16	Lobbying Issues	<p>Lobbied EPA, USDA and OMB regarding EPA Clean Water Act confined animal feeding operations (CAFOs) effluent limitations guidelines and NPDES permit rules</p> <p>Lobbied EPA, USDA and OMB regarding EPA Clean Water Act total maximum daily load rulemaking</p> <p>Lobbied EPA, USDA regarding EPA enforcement of CERCLA and Clean Air Act for animal air emissions</p>

