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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>Ralston Purina Company</b>			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported <b>1300 I Street, N.W., Suite 495 East Tower, Washington, DC 20005</b>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: _____ State/Zip (or Country): _____			
4. Contact Name <b>Claude D. Alexander</b>	Telephone <b>202/ 289-2011</b>	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate ID # <b>32668</b>
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self			6. House ID # <b>30722</b>

**TYPE OF REPORT** 8. Year  2000 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><b>12. Lobbying Firms</b></p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ _____ Income (nearest \$20,000)</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><b>13. Organizations</b></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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ <u>80,000</u> Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p><b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name and Title **Claude D. Alexander, Director, Government Affairs**

Registrant Name Ralston Purina Company Client Name Self

**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 TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Tax Policy

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

House of Representatives

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Claude D. Alexander		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above  Check if None

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

Farm Policy

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

House of Representatives  
Senate  
U.S. Department of Agriculture

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Claude D. Alexander		<input type="checkbox"/>
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15. General issue area code TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

- 1) China - permanent Normal Trade Relations
- 2) Counterfeit products in Russia

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

House of Representatives  
Senate  
Department of Commerce

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

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Claude D. Alexander		<input type="checkbox"/>
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15. General issue area code HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Patients' Bill of Rights; all provisions amending ERISA

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

House of Representatives

Senate

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Anne Marie Wiedemer		<input type="checkbox"/>
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15. General issue area code 400 (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Implementation of Omnibus Housing Reform Bill

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

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Anne Marie Wiedemer		<input type="checkbox"/>
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15. General issue area code LIBR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

- 1) Worker Safety - OSHA permissible exposure limits
- 2) FMLA - technical corrections

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

- 1) OSHA
- 2) Senate; House of Representatives

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