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LOBBYING REPORT H.D.

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

1. Registrant Name Venable, Baetjer, Howard & Civiletti, LLP			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 1201 New York Avenue, N.W., Suite 1000			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: Washington State/Zip (or Country) DC 20005			
4. Contact Name David G. Adams	Telephone 202-216-8014	E-mail (optional) dgadams@venable.com	5. Senate ID # 39941-125
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Merck & Co.			6. House ID #

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 1999 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	13. Organizations
INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ _____ Income (nearest \$20,000)	EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$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).	14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only <input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code <input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

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Printed Name and Title

David G. Adams Partner

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Registrant Name Venable Law Firm Client Name Merck & Co.

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 _____ (one per page)


16. Specific lobbying issues

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

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
David G. Adams		<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 6/6/00
Printed Name and Title David G. Adams - Partner