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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellett			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address 1250 24th St. N.W. 7th Floor City Washington State/Zip (or Country) DC 20037			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name Andrew Platt		Telephone 202-659-6651	E-mail (optional) _____
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self American Trucking Associations		5. Senate ID # 13073-202	
		6. House ID # 30037017	

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 align="center">12. Lobbying Firms</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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>\$40,000.00</u> <small>(income (nearest \$20,000))</small></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 align="center">13. Organizations</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 type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small></p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. 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 type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>

Signature _____ Date _____
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Registrant Name: Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott

Client Name: American Trucking Associations

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 TRU (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying Issues

**H.R. 4511, To prohibit the Secretary of Transportation and the Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Administration from taking action to finalize, implement, or enforce a rule related to the hours of service of drivers for motor carriers, ... Hours of service reform
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA)-Notice of proposed rulemaking regarding "hours of service" for holders of commercial drivers licenses**

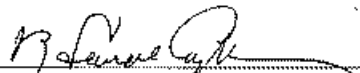
Status of Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
**Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
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
<u>Coughlin, R. Lawrence</u>		<u>No</u>

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

Signature  Date _____

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