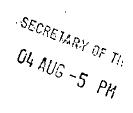
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Jack Eberspacher	(202) 437-0023	jack@aradc.org	454-12
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17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted	☐ Check if None
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18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this i	ssue area
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 EPA spray drift regulations. Participated in discussions industry representatives. Supported reforming Endangered Species Act (HR 166 - Supported revisions to EPA's SPCC rules. Discussed EPA's pesticide containment proposed regular - Discussed off-road diesel rules with both EPA and DOT - Supported re-registration of Atrazine by EPA. 	lations with EPA officials.
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