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LOBBYING REPORT

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1. Registrant Name Alpine Group, Inc.			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 666 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE Washington Suite 201 DC 20003			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name Monica Skopec	Telephone 202-548-2312	E-mail (optional) mskopec@alpinegroup.com	5. Senate ID # 1171-140
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Syngenta	6. House ID # 31749019		

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	
12. Lobbying Firms INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>\$60,000.00</u> Income (nearest \$20,000) <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>	13. Organizations 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) <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 01/19/2001

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Registrant Name: Alpine Group, Inc.

Client Name: Syngenta

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
Monitor House and Senate Agriculture Committee action.

- 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
<u>White, Sam</u>		<u>No</u>

- 19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None
Novartis AG Novartis AG interest in agricultural issues affecting the use and sale of crop protection products in U.S.

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- 15. General issue area code ENV (one per page)
- 16. Specific Lobbying issues
Monitor implementation of Safe Drinking Water Act of 1996, rules governing use of crop protection products.

- 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
<u>White, Sam</u>		<u>No</u>

- 19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None
Novartis AG Novartis AG interest in implementation of safe drinking water laws and their affect on the use and sale of crop protection products in U.S.

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- 15. General issue area code FOO (one per page)
- 16. Specific Lobbying issues
Monitor implementation of Food Safety Laws, rules governing the approval and use of crop protection chemicals.

- 17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Environmental Protection Agency
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
White, Ssm		No

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Novartis AG Novartis AG interest in food safety issues affecting the approval, use and sale of crop protection products in U.S.

Signature *M. Skopec* Date 01/19/2001
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