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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, L.L.P.			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 1333 New Hampshire Avenue, NW			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: Washington State/Zip (or Country) DC 20036			
4. Contact Name Smith W. Davis	Telephone 202-887-4000	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate I 682-
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self The Dow Chemical Company			6. House I 3178

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2004 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

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
\$10,000 or more ⇨ \$ 320,000
Income (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).

13. Organizations
EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:
Less than \$10,000
\$10,000 or more ⇨ \$ _____
Expenses (nearest \$20,000)

14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate reporting method. See instructions for descriptor.

- Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA descriptor
- Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) Internal Revenue Code
- Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) Internal Revenue Code

Signature _____ Date February 14, 2005

Printed Name and Title Smith W. Davis, Partner

LD-2 (REV. 6/98)

Registrant Name Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, L.L.P. Client Name The Dow Chemical Company

LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant is engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code and providing information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

Asbestos legislation (S. 1125, the Fairness in Asbestos Injury Resolution Act of 2003; S 2290, the Fairness in Asbestos Injury Resolution Act of 2004)

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

U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. Senate

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Smith W. Davis	
D. McLauchlin (Lauch) Faircloth	
Karen Goldmeier Green	
Joel Jankowsky	
Steven R. Ross	
Barney J. Skladany	
James R. Tucker, Jr.	

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

Signature *Smith W Davis* Date February 14, 2004

