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LOBBYING REGISTRATION

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 4)

Check if this is an Amended Registration 1. Effective Date of Registration 2/15/200
 2. House Identification Number 37338 Senate Identification Number 29333E

REGISTRANT

3. Registrant name The Nickles Group, LLC
 Address 607 14th Street, NW, Suite 530
 City Washington State DC Zip 20005 U
 4. Principal place of business (if different than line 3)
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 5. Telephone number and contact name
202.637.0214 Contact Ms. Jody Hernandez E-mail jody_hernandez@nicklesgro
 6. General description of registrant's business or activities
Lobbying and business consulting

CLIENT *A Lobbying firm is required to file a separate registration for each client. Organizations employing in-house lobbyists should check the labeled "Self" and proceed to line 10.* Self

7. Client name COMPETE
 Address 1317 F Street, NW, Suite 600
 City Washington State DC Zip 20004 U
 8. Principal place of business (if different than line 7)
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 9. General description of client's business or activities
A coalition of public utilities

LOBBYISTS

10. Name of each individual who has acted or is expected to act as a lobbyist for the client identified on line 7. If any person in this section has served as a "covered executive branch official" or "covered legislative branch official" within two years of filing as a lobbyist for the client, state the executive and/or legislative position(s) in which the person served.

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Hazen Marshall	U.S. Senate Budget Committee, Staff Director
Stacey Hughes	U.S. Senate Budget Committee, Dpty Staff Dire
Rachel Jones Hensler	U.S. Senate Budget Committee, Tax Policy Dire
Jody Hernandez	U.S. Senate Budget Committee, Sr Floor Assist
Cynthia Merifield Tripodi	

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LOBBYING ISSUES

11. General lobbying issue areas. Select all applicable codes listed in instructions and on the reverse side of Form LD-1, p.

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12. Specific lobbying issues (current and anticipated)

Energy legislative, policy and regulatory issues

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

13. Is there an entity other than the client that contributes more than \$10,000 to the lobbying activities of the registrant in a semiannual period **and** in whole or in major part plans supervises or controls the registrant's lobbying activities?

No ⇒ Go to line 14.

Yes ⇒ Complete the rest of this section for each entity matching criteria above, then proceed to line 14.

Name	Address	Principal place of Business (city and state or country)

FOREIGN ENTITIES

14. Is there any foreign entity that:

- a) holds at least 20% equitable ownership in the client or any organization identified on line 13; **OR**
- b) directly or indirectly, in whole or in major part, plans, supervises, controls, directs, finances or subsidizes ac the client or any organization identified on line 13; **OR**
- c) is an affiliate of the client or any organization identified on line 13 and has a direct interest in the outcome o lobbying activity?

No ⇒ Sign and date the registration.

Yes ⇒ Complete the rest of this section for each entity matching the criteria above, then sign and date registration.

Name	Address	Principal place of business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	O p e i

Signature *Hazen Marshall*
 Printed Name and Title Hazen Marshall, Partner

Date 3/31/05

