

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

GUIDANT CORPORATION

2. Address:

1310 G ST NW #770, WASHINGTON, DC 20005

3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2):

City: INDIANAPOLIS State/Zip(or Country): IN 46204

4. Contact Name: ANN M. GOSIER

Telephone: 202-508-0800

E-mail (optional): agosier@guidant.com

Senate ID #: 17124-12

House ID #: 32931000

7. Client Name: ☒ Self

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2005 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: ☐

\$10,000 or more: ☐ => 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): 80,000.00

14. Reporting Method.

Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

- ☐ **Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only
☐ **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code
☒ **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

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15. General issue area code: BUD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Senate Report 109-103, House Report 109-143, H.R. 3010, H. Res. 337: "Health and Human Services FY2006 Appropriations Bill" Legislation to make appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes. Senate Report 109-92, House Report 109-102, House Report 109-105, H.R. 2744, H. Res. 303: "Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006" Legislation to make appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes. S. Con. 18, H. Con. Res. 95: "Appropriations Resolution FY 2006 Budget" An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the U.S. Government for FY 2006 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for FY 2005 and FY 2007 through FY 2010 I provisions pertaining to reserve funds for health information technology and the uninsured.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

Name: CANTOR-WEINBERG, JULIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GOSIER, ANN M.
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

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15. General issue area code: FIN (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 913: "Broad-Based Stock Option Plan Transparency Act" Legislation to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to require enhanced disclosures of employee stock options, and to require a study on the economic impact of broad-based employee stock option plans, and for other purposes.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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

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15. General issue area code: HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 16: "Affordable Health Care Act" Legislation to reduce the cost of quality healthcare coverage and improve the availability of healthcare coverage for all Americans. S. 470, H.R. 3196: "Fair Access to Clinical Trials Act of 2005" Legislation to amend the Public Health Service Act to expand the clinical trials drug data bank. S. 810, H.R. 1653: "Safeguarding Americans From Exporting Identification Data Act" Legislation to prohibit the transfer of personal information to any person outside the United States, without notice and consent, and for other purposes. S. 930: "Food and Drug Administration Safety Act of 2005" Legislation to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to drug safety, and for other purposes. S. 1020: "Hospital Fair Competition Act of 2005" Legislation to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in payments to hospitals under the Medicare program, and for other purposes. Provisions related to gainsharing and DRG refinements. S. 1355: "Better Healthcare Through Information Technology Act" Legislation to enhance the adoption of health information technology and to improve the quality and reduce the costs of healthcare in the United States. H.R. 2234: "21st Century Health Information Act of 2005" Legislation to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make health information technology grants, and for other purposes. Communications regarding modifications to P.L. 107-250, The Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act of 2002. Communications regarding FDA regulation of pediatric devices. Communications regarding physician pay-for-performance.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:
Executive Office of the President
Food & Drug Administration (FDA)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Health & Human Services, Dept of (HHS)
SENATE

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15. General issue area code: IMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Public Law 109-13: "Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Tsunami Relief, 2005"
Provision related to obtaining Green Card relief.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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

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15. General issue area code: MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 18: "Meeting Our Responsibility to Medicare Beneficiaries Act of 2005" Legislation to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements to the Medicare program for beneficiaries. S. 390: "Screening Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms Very Efficiently Act of 2005" Legislation to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of ultrasound screening for abdominal aortic aneurysms under part B of the Medicare program. S. 1356: "Medicare Value Purchasing Act of 2005" Legislation to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide incentives for the provision of high quality care under the Medicare program. Department of Health & Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 42 CFR Parts 405, 412, et al., Medicare Program; Proposed Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2006 Rates; Proposed Rule, May 4, 2005 Department of Health & Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 42 CFR Part 416, Medicare Program; Update of Ambulatory Surgical Center List of Covered Procedures, Interim final rule with comment period, May 4, 2005 Communications with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regarding inpatient and outpatient payment for cardiac rhythm management technologies. Communications with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regarding coverage of carotid artery stenting procedures. Communications with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regarding the national coverage of implantable cardioverter defibrillators. Communications with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regarding the Draft Guidance Entitled "Factors CMS Considers in Making a Determination of Coverage with Evidence Development". Implementation of P.L.-108-173, "The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement & Modernization Act of 2003"

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

Agency for Health Care Policy & Research
Centers For Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
Executive Office of the President
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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15. General issue area code: TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 627, H.R. 1736: "Investment in America Act of 2005" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the research credit, to increase the rates of the alternative incremental credit, and to provide an alternative simplified credit for qualified research expenses. S. 1020: "COMPETE Act of 2005" Legislation to make the United States competitive in a global economy. H.R. 747: "National Health Information Incentive Act of 2005" Legislation to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to achieve a national health information infrastructure, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a refundable credit for expenditures of health care providers implementing such infrastructure. Implementation and technical corrections of P.L. 108-357, "The American Jobs Creation Act." Provisions relating to repatriation of foreign source income.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

Treasury, Dept of

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 354, S. 366, S. 367, H.R. 534: "Help Efficient, Accessible, Low-cost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2005" Legislation to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

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SENATE

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15. General issue area code: TRD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Removal of trade barriers impacting U.S. medical technology companies in Japan. S. 1307, H.R. 3045: "CAFTA Implementation Bill"
Legislation to implement the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

Commerce, Dept of (DOC)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE
U.S. Trade Representative (USTR)

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Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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Signature: ON FILE Date: Jul 20, 2005

Printed Name and Title: ANN GOSIER - VICE PRESIDENT, GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS