

LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

INTL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

2. Address:

1125 15TH ST NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20005

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

4. Contact Name: RICK DIEGEL

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Senate ID #: 19822-12

House ID #: 31118000

7. Client Name: ☒ Self

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2002 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): 300,000.00

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

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: COM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

IBEW opposed a proposed merger of EchoStar/DISH and Hughes/DIRECTV. This merger would have created a monopoly in the direct broadcast satellite (DBS) market that would have adversely affected consumers and workers. EchoStar exhibited a pattern of threats and unlawful dismissals in an attempt to intimidate employees from exercising their rights in the workplace by refusing to negotiate an agreement or bargain in good faith. The company has engaged in similar behavior in several other locations around the country. (Ltr. 7/15/02). No bill reference.

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

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Justice, Dept of (DOJ)

SENATE

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

Name: BURTON, BRUCE

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: DIEGEL, RICK

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: SHULER, LIZ

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: ENG (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

IBEW urged the energy bill conferees to drop Title II provisions of the bill that contained electricity reforms and opposed federally mandated comprehensive deregulation of the electric utility industry. Concerns include: deregulation's impact on the safety and reliability of the electricity system, the effect of cutthroat competition on staffing levels and maintenance programs, cost to consumers, mega-mergers and market dominance of a few energy conglomerates, and the impact of deregulation on the environment. (H.R. 4) Ltr. 9/16/02 [Conferees]

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE

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Name: DIEGEL, RICK

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Name: SHULER, LIZ

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

The IBEW opposed several health care proposals such as "Medicare Modernization and Prescription Drug Act of 2002." (H.R. 4954), written for the pharmaceutical industry that would have provided a privatized drug plan outside the scope of Medicare, where benefits would be neither assured nor guaranteed. IBEW also opposed a Medicare prescription drug plan, the "21st Century Medicare Act." (S. 2) that would have created a voluntary drug benefit for seniors under the existing Medicare system and used private drug-only insurance policies to set premiums and determine benefits. IBEW supported "Greater Access to Affordable Pharmaceuticals Act" (S. 812) that would have reduced the time pharmaceutical companies are allowed to hold a drug patent. Such a change would have sped up the process to get generic drugs to market.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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Name: SHULER, LIZ

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

IBEW opposed pay cap provisions contained in the Treasury and General Government Appropriations bill for FY 2003. The proposed legislation would have subjected blue collar employees to be limited to pay increases that could not exceed the same percentage paid to white collar government employees, regardless of the percentage actually due to them under Federal Wage System, creating a wage gap for tradespeople in federal employment. (H.R. 5120/S. 2740). IBEW opposed any amendments to the National Homeland Security and Combating Terrorism Act that would weaken or strip longstanding worker rights or Davis-Bacon prevailing wage protections. H.R. 5005/S. 2452(Ltr. 9/16/02) The IBEW supported H.R. 3609, the bill that establishes mandatory inspections of all U.S. oil and natural gas pipelines within 10 years, with at least half of the pipelines to be inspected within the first five years. It also increases monetary penalties for safety infractions and includes an integrity management program. The IBEW sought to include a worker training provision that mandated testing of knowledge, skills and abilities with periodic re-examination of employees in safety-sensitive positions. This was met with fierce opposition from the industry, and in the end, the language was permissive, not mandatory. Standards for the qualification process are, however, mandatory. IBEW supported passage of unemployment benefits for more than 800,000 laid-off workers and their families that was to run out on December 28, 2002. The benefits would have provided laid-off workers 13 additional weeks of federal benefits after they exhausted their state aid. Bill Reference (H.R. 3529 and H.R. 5063). The IBEW opposed a newly created Electronic Systems Technician (EST) classification formed by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training (BAT, now known as OATELS). The new EST work processes were similar to the functions of an inside wireman or telecommunication installer-technician already in place.. IBEW attempted to reverse the Department of Labor's (DOL) course.

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

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Name: DIEGEL, RICK
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15. General issue area code: TEC (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

IBEW urged support of a strong Unbundled Network Elements Platform (UNE-P) pricing and access policy on the state and federal level to promote competition, economic growth, job creation and multiple employment opportunities for IBEW members in the telecommunications industry. (Ltr. 12/19/02) - No bill reference

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

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Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: SHULER, LIZ

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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Signature: ON FILE Date: Jan 17, 2003

Printed Name and Title: RICK DIEGEL - DIRECTOR, IBEW POLITICAL/LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DEPT.