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1. Registrant name Ricchetti Incorporated			
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1001 G Street NW		Suite 600 East	
Washington		DC	20001 U
3. Principal place of business (if different than line 2) same			
City		State/Zip or Country	
4a. Contact Name	b. Telephone number	c. E-mail	5. Senate ID #
Mr. James Heimbach	202-879-9367	jay@ricchettiinc.com	62778-2
7. Client Name	<input type="checkbox"/> Self	6. House ID #	
Novartis		353950	

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2004 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-December)

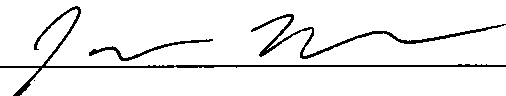
9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

10. Check if this is a Termination Report ⇨ Termination Date _____ 11. No Lobbying Act

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

<p align="center">12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ <u>60,000</u></p> <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>	<p align="center">13. Organizations</p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this report were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ _____</p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b) Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) Internal Revenue Code</p>
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Signature  Date 2/10/05

Printed Name and Title James Heimbach, Vice President

Registrant Name Ricchetti Incorporated Client Name Novartis

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

15. General issue area code HCR - Health Issues (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Issues pertaining to FDA review and approval of biologics
Issues pertaining to generic pharmaceuticals and the impact on pharmaceutical companies
HR 2218 - Providing for regulation of contact lenses as medical devices
Issues pertaining to the reimportation of prescription drugs, including S 2493, the Safe Importation of Medical Products Act and S 2328, the Pharmaceutical Market Access and Drug Safety Act

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

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

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

	Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Steve	Ricchetti	
Jeff	Ricchetti	
Lisa	Kountoupes	
James	Heimbach	

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

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15. General issue area code MMM - Medicare/Medicaid (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Issues pertaining to the implementation of the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003 and prescription drug discount cards.
 Issues pertaining to the establishment of guidelines for formularies administered by private health and drug coverage plans.

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Medicaid Reform
Issues pertaining to the President's proposed reform of the Medicaid program

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