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**OVER \$13.5 MILLION SPENT TO LOBBY
CITY AGENCIES IN SECOND QUARTER OF 2015**

Entities registered to lobby City agencies reported receiving payments totaling over \$13.5 million in the second quarter of 2015, according to the latest report released by the Ethics Commission today.

Reports filed by lobbying entities disclosed that clients paid a total of \$13,761,530 to lobby the City during the second quarter. Out of a total of 1,102 registered clients for the second quarter, the lobbying clients who made the ten largest individual payments for lobbying services during the quarter include Rancho LPG Holdings Inc.; Jin Yuan USA Co., Inc.; Legado Companies; Sullivan Equity Partners, LLC; Live Nation; OUE USA Services Corp.; CH Acquisitions 2, LLC; National Strategies, LLC on behalf of Renovate America; Nederlander of California, Inc.; and Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. During the second quarter, these clients each made individual payments ranging from \$93,327 to \$437,742. Together, their payments represented 11.3 percent of all payments by clients for the quarter.

The ten lobbying firms receiving the most client payments in the second quarter of 2015 were Arnie Berghoff & Associates; Latham & Watkins; Kindel Gagan; Glaser, Weil, Fink, Howard, Avchen & Shapiro, LLP; Liner LLP; Ek & Ek; Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP; Craig Lawson & Co., LLC; Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac LLP; and Englander Knabe and Allen. These firms reported receiving total payments from clients ranging from \$413,140 to \$1,211,221 for the quarter. Together, these lobbying firms received a total of \$6,358,212 from their clients, representing 46.2 percent of all client payments received in the second quarter of 2015.

In addition to payments from clients, 31 of the 600 registered lobbying entities reported fundraising activity totaling \$479,977 for City campaigns, officeholders, and committees. The full report on second-quarter lobbying activities, the disclosure reports filed by lobbying entities, and searchable information about lobbying entities and their clients are available at ethics.lacity.org or by calling the Ethics Commission.

The City Ethics Commission was created by Los Angeles voters in 1990 to impartially administer and enforce the City's governmental ethics, campaign financing, and lobbying laws.