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## OVER \$11.5 MILLION SPENT TO LOBBY CITY AGENCIES IN THIRD QUARTER OF 2014

Entities registered to lobby City agencies reported receiving payments totaling just over \$11.5 million in the third quarter of 2014, according to a report discussed by the Ethics Commission today.

Reports filed by lobbying entities disclosed that clients paid a total of \$11,627,530 to lobby the City during the third quarter. Out of a total of 1,197 registered clients for the third quarter, the ten clients paying the most for lobbying services during the quarter include Century City Realty, LLC; NBCUniversal Media, LLC; Oxy Long Beach, Inc.; Clear Channel Outdoor; Rancho LPG Holdings Inc.; Champion Real Estate Company; CIM Group; Greenland US Consulting, Inc.; Greenland US Holding Co; and Westfield. During the third quarter, these clients each made total payments ranging from \$71,558 to \$155,000. Together, their payments represented 8.7 percent of all payments by clients for the quarter.

The ten lobbying firms receiving the most client payments in the third quarter of 2014 were Liner LLP; Afriat Consulting Group; Kindel Gagan; Latham & Watkins LLP; Glaser, Weil, Fink, Jacobs, Howard, Avchen & Shapiro, LLP; Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac LLP; Ek & Ek; Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP; Craig Lawson & Co., LLC; and Englander Knabe and Allen. These firms reported receiving total payments from clients ranging from \$323,052 to \$959,166 for the quarter. Together, these lobbying firms received a total of \$5,355,459 from their clients, representing 46 percent of all client payments received in the third quarter of 2014.

In addition to payments from clients, 15 of the 554 registered lobbying entities reported fundraising activity totaling \$69,384 for City campaigns, officeholders, and committees. The full report on third-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.