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## OVER \$13 MILLION SPENT TO LOBBY CITY AGENCIES IN FOURTH QUARTER OF 2014

Entities registered to lobby City agencies reported receiving payments totaling over \$13 million in the fourth quarter of 2014, according to a report presented by the Ethics Commission today.

Reports filed by lobbying entities disclosed that clients paid a total of \$13,210,764 to lobby the City during the fourth quarter. Out of a total of 1,276 registered clients for the fourth quarter, the ten clients paying the most for lobbying services during the quarter include CIM Group; Rancho LPG Holdings Inc; iHeartMedia, Inc, Clear Channel Outdoor, and Affiliated Entities; JMP Realty Corporation (AKA: AP PROPERTIES); Nederlander of California, Inc.; Hudson Capital LLC; Live Nation; Atlas Capital Group, LLC; OUE USA Services Corp.; and Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. During the fourth quarter, these clients each made total payments ranging from \$83,351 to \$375,693. Together, their payments represented 10.5 percent of all payments by clients for the quarter.

The ten lobbying firms receiving the most client payments in the fourth quarter of 2014 were Arnie Berghoff & Associates; Kindel Gagan; Glaser, Weil, Fink, Howard, Avchen & Shapiro, LLP; Latham & Watkins 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 \$332,190 to \$1,181,590 for the quarter. Together, these lobbying firms received a total of \$6,456,061 from their clients, representing 49 percent of all client payments received in the fourth quarter of 2014.

In addition to payments from clients, 21 of the 559 registered lobbying entities reported fundraising activity totaling \$158,457 for City campaigns, officeholders, and committees. The full report on fourth-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.