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LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name:

GUIDANT CORPORATION

2. Address:
1310 G ST NW #770, WASHINGTON, DC 20005

3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2):
City: INDIANAPOLIS State/Zip(or Country): IN 46204

4. Contact Name: ANN M. GOSIER
Telephone: 202-508-0800
E-mail (optional): agosier@guidant.com

Senate ID #: 17124-12
House ID #: 32931000

7. Client Name: ☒ Self

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2003 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): 80,000.00

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

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 1427, H.R., 2673: "Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004" Legislation to make appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes. H.R. 2618: "Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004" Legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes. H.J.RES. 2, H.CON.RES. 35, H.RES. 15, H.RES. 71: "Miscellaneous Appropriations Act, 2003" Joint Resolution making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes. Communications with Office of Management and Budget and Department of Health and Human Services in support of appropriations for the Food and Drug Administration.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:
Food & Drug Administration (FDA)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Health & Human Services, Dept of (HHS)
Office of Management & Budget (OMB)
SENATE

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

Name: CANTOR-WEINBERG, JULIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GOSIER, ANN M.
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

LOBBYING ACTIVITY.

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 181: "Stock Option Accounting Review Act" Legislation to require a review of accounting treatment of stock option plans, and the establishment of an appropriate stock option accounting principle within 1 year S. 979, H.R. 1372: "Broad-Based Stock Option Plan Transparency Act of 2003" Legislation to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to require enhanced disclosures of employee stock options, to require a study on the economic impact of broad-based employee stock option plans, and for other purposes. H.R. 1397: "Employee Benefits Protection Act of 2003" Legislation to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to ensure that employees are not improperly disqualified from benefits under pension plans and welfare plans based on the misclassification or reclassification of their status.

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

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

Name: CANTOR-WEINBERG, JULIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GOSIER, ANN M.
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: HCR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 10: "Health Care Coverage Expansion and Quality Improvement Act of 2003" Legislation to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage, to provide for parity with respect to mental health coverage, to reduce medical errors, and to increase the access of individuals to quality health care S. 16: "Protecting Americans Medical Privacy Act" Legislation to protect the civil rights of all Americans, and for other purposes. S. 732: "Health Care Safety Net Oversight Act of 2003" Legislation to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to create an independent and nonpartisan commission to assess the health care needs of the uninsured and to monitor the financial stability of the Nation's health care safety net. H.R. 596: "ERISA Clarification Act of 2003" Legislation to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to exclude from preemption State causes of action to enforce determinations under group health plans based on medical necessity. H.R. 597: "Patient Protection Act" Legislation to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage. H.R. 663: "Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act" Legislation to amend title IX of the Public Health Service Act to provide for the improvement of patient safety and to reduce the incidence of events that adversely affect patient safety, and for other purposes. H.R. 815: "Aneurysm Awareness Act" Legislation to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct a study with respect to aneurysms, and for other purposes. H.R. 1709: "Stop Taking Our Health Privacy (STOHP) Act of 2003" Legislation to restore standards to protect the privacy of individually identifiable health information that were weakened by the August 2002 modifications, and for other purposes. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary, 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, Standards for the Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information; Final Rule, August 2002.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:
Food & Drug Administration (FDA)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Health & Human Services, Dept of (HHS)
Natl Institutes of Health (NIH)
Office of Management & Budget (OMB)
SENATE

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

Name: CANTOR-WEINBERG, JULIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GOSIER, ANN M.
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: LBR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 304, "Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act" Legislation to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to expand the scope of the Act, and for other purposes. S. 317: "Family Time and Workplace Flexibility Act" Legislation to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide to private sector employees the same opportunities for time-and-a-half compensatory time off, biweekly work programs, and flexible credit hour programs as Federal employees currently enjoy to help balance the demands and needs for work and family, and for other purposes.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Office of Management & Budget (OMB)
SENATE

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

Name: CANTOR-WEINBERG, JULIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GOSIER, ANN M.
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: MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 1, H.R. 1 H.RES. 299, H.R. 359, H.R. 2473, H.R. 2596: "Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act of 2003" Legislation to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a voluntary program for prescription drug coverage under the Medicare Program, to modernize the Medicare Program, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction to individuals for amounts contributed to health savings security accounts and health savings accounts, to provide for the disposition of unused health benefits in cafeteria plans and flexible spending arrangements, and for other purposes. S. 7 "Prescription Drug Benefit and Cost Containment Act of 2003" Legislation to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage of outpatient prescription drugs under the Medicare program and to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide greater access to affordable pharmaceuticals, and for other purposes. S. 382: "Medicare Cholesterol Screening Coverage Act of 2003" Legislation to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of cardiovascular screening tests under the Medicare program. S. 823, H.R. 941: "Medicare Innovation Responsiveness Act of 2003" Legislation to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the expeditious coverage of new medical technology under the Medicare program, and for other purposes. H.R. 810: "Medicare Regulatory and Contracting Reform Act of 2003" Legislation to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide regulatory relief and contracting flexibility under the Medicare Program. H.R. 1568: "Medicare Rx Now Act of 2003" Legislation to amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a prescription drug benefit with a high deductible at no additional premium and access to discount prices on drugs and to provide for the operation of such benefit without a deductible for certain low-income Medicare beneficiaries. H.J.RES.3 Legislation to disapprove under the Congressional Review Act the rule submitted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, relating to revisions to payment policies under the Medicare physician fee schedule for calendar year 2003 and other items, published in the Federal Register on December 31, 2002. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 42 CFR Parts 412 and 413, Medicare Program; Proposed Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2004 Rates; Proposed Rule, May 19, 2003 Communications with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, U.S. Congress and Administration requesting National Coverage Decision for MADIT II indication for ICDs and provided supporting information.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:
Centers For Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Health & Human Services, Dept of (HHS)
Office of Management & Budget (OMB)
SENATE

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

Name: CANTOR-WEINBERG, JULIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GOSIER, ANN M.
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

LOBBYING ACTIVITY.

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 2, H.R. 2: "Economic Stimulus Bill" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional tax incentives to encourage economic growth. S. 9: "Pension Protection and Expansion Act of 2003" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to protect the retirement security of American workers by ensuring that pension assets are adequately diversified and by providing workers with adequate access to, and information about, their pension plans, and for other purposes. S. 182, H.R. 626: "Ending the Double Standard for Stock Options Act" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that corporate tax benefits from stock option compensation expenses are allowed only to the extent such expenses are included in a corporation's financial statements S. 206, H.R. 286 Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of incentive stock options and employee stock purchase plans. S. 596, H.R. 767: "Invest in the U.S.A. Act of 2003"/"Homeland Investment Act of 2003" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage the investment of foreign earnings within the United States for productive business investments and job creation. S. 664, H.R. 463: "Investment in America Act of 2003" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the research credit, to increase the rates of the alternative incremental credit, and to provide an alternative simplified credit for qualified research expenses. S. 970; H.R. 1769: "Job Protection Act of 2003" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to comply with the World Trade Organization rulings on the FSC/ETI benefit in a manner that preserves jobs and production activities in the United States. H.R. 22 Legislation to simplify certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and to establish a uniform pass-thru regime (stock option bill). H.R. 583: "Fair Care for the Uninsured Act of 2003" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a refundable credit against income tax for the purchase of private health insurance, and to establish State health insurance safety-net programs. H.R. 1177 Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional choice regarding unused health benefits in cafeteria plans and flexible spending arrangements. H.R. 1236: "Securing Access, Value, and Equality in Health Care Act" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a refundable credit against income tax for the purchase of private health insurance. H.R. 1776: "Pension Preservation and Savings Expansion Act of 2003" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make today's retirement savings opportunities permanent, to expand and improve retirement savings vehicles, to extend pension coverage through regulatory simplification and small business incentives, to enhance fairness and pension portability, to revitalize defined benefit plans, to provide additional defined contribution plan protections, to assist individuals in preserving their income throughout retirement, and for other purposes. H.R. 2351: "Health Savings Account Availability Act" Legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction to individuals for amounts contributed to health savings accounts and to provide for the disposition of unused health benefits in cafeteria plans and flexible spending arrangements.

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

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

Name: CANTOR-WEINBERG, JULIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GOSIER, ANN M.
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: TOR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 11: "Medical Malpractice Liability Bill " Legislation to protect patients' access to quality and affordable health care by reducing the effects of excessive liability costs. S. 607, H.R. 5, H. Res. 139: "HEALTH Act of 2003" Legislation to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

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

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

Name: CANTOR-WEINBERG, JULIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GOSIER, ANN M.
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

16. Specific lobbying issues:

Efforts to modify proposed Shanghai Pricing Bureau regulations on U.S. medical devices in Shanghai. Efforts to remove market barriers for U.S. medical technology companies in Japan.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:
Commerce, Dept of (DOC)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SENATE
U.S. Trade Representative (USTR)

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

Name: GOSIER, ANN M.
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

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

Signature: ON FILE Date: Aug 11, 2003

Printed Name and Title: ANN M. GOSIER - VICE PRESIDENT, GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS