

LOBBYING REGISTRATION

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 4)

Check if this is an Amended Registration

1. Effective Date of Registration Feb 01, 2008

2. House Identification Number 38067

Senate Identification Number 304736-327

REGISTRANT

3. Registrant Name: TARPLIN DOWNS & YOUNG LLC
Address: 1212 New York Avenue, NW Suite 1050
City: Washington State: DC Zip: 20005

4. Principal place of business (if different from line 3):

5. Telephone number and contact name:
2028984733 Contact: JENNIFER B. YOUNG
E-mail(optional): jyoung@tdylc.com

6. General description of registrant's business or activities:
Consulting Firm

CLIENT

A Lobbying firm is required to file a separate registration for each client. Organizations employing in-house lobbyists should check the box labeled "Self" and proceed to line 10.

Self

7. Client name: VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC
Address: 130 WAVERLY STREET
City: CAMBRIDGE State: MA Zip: 02139-4242

8. Principal place of business (if different from line 7):

9. General description of client's business or activities:
Global biotechnology company

LOBBYISTS

10. Name of each individual who has acted or is expected to act as a lobbyist for the client identified on line 7. If any person listed in this section has served as a "covered executive branch official" or "covered legislative branch official" within two years of first acting as a lobbyist for the client, state the executive and/or legislative position(s) in which the person served.

Name: DOWNS, RAISSA H

Covered Official Position (if applicable): PRIN. DEP. ASST. SEC. FOR LEG. - HHS; DEP. ASST. SEC. FOR

Name: DOWNS, RAISSA H

Covered Official Position (if applicable): LEG. - HHS; STAFF DIR., SUB. CMTE. ON EMPLOYMENT, SEN. HELP

Name: DOWNS, RAISSA H

Covered Official Position (if applicable): CMTE.

Name: FORDJOUR, ISAAC

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: TARPLIN, LINDA E

Covered Official Position (if applicable): SP. ASST. TO THE PRES. FOR LEG. AFFAIRS; DEP. ASST. SEC. FOR

Name: TARPLIN, LINDA E

Covered Official Position (if applicable): LEG. - HHS

Name: YOUNG, JENNIFER B

Covered Official Position (if applicable): ASST. SEC. FOR LEG. - HHS; CMTE. STAFF, HOUSE CMTE ON WAYS

Name: YOUNG, JENNIFER B

Covered Official Position (if applicable): AND MEANS; CMTE. STAFF, SEN. CMTE ON FINANCE

LOBBYING ISSUES

11. General lobbying issue areas. Select all applicable codes listed in instructions and on the reverse side of Form LD-1, page 1:

BUD CPT HCR MED HMM SCI

12. Specific lobbying issues (current and anticipated):

Regulatory and legislative issues related to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration; appropriations for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the National Institutes of Health and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control; Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement issues; regulatory and legislative issues related to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

13. Is there an entity other than the client that contributes more than \$10,000 to the lobbying activities of the registrant in a semi-annual period **and** 13. Is there an entity other than the client that contributes more than \$10,000 to the lobbying activities of the registrant in a semi-annual period in whole or in major part plans, supervises or controls the registrant's lobbying activities?

No, then go to line 14.

Yes, then complete the rest of this section for each entity matching the criteria above, then proceed to line 14.

FOREIGN ENTITIES

14. Is there any foreign entity that:

- a) holds at least 20% equitable ownership in the client or any organization identified on line 13; **OR**
- b) directly or indirectly, in whole or in major part, plans, supervises, controls, directs, finances or subsidizes activities of the client or any organization identified on line 13; **OR**
- c) is an affiliate of the client or any organization identified on line 13 and has a direct interest in the outcome of the lobbying activity?

No, then sign and date the registration.

Yes, then complete the rest of this section for each entity matching the criteria above, then sign and date the registration.

Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 21, 2008

Printed Name and Title: JENNIFER B. YOUNG - PARTNER -