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LOBBYING REGISTRATION

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 4)

Check if this is an Amended Registration ☐

1. Effective Date of Registration Dec 09, 2005

2. House Identification Number ____

Senate Identification Number 39941-3161

REGISTRANT

3. Registrant Name: VENABLE LLP
Address: 575 7TH STREET, NW
City: WASHINGTON State: DC Zip: 20004-1601

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

5. Telephone number and contact name:
202.344.4000 Contact: MIKE FERRELL
E-mail(optional): egnadt@venable.com

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

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: BIOVERIS CORPORTATION
Address: 16020 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE
City: GAITHERSBURG State: MD Zip: 20877

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

9. General description of client's business or activities:
biosciences research

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: BRYSON, NANCY
Covered Official Position (if applicable):
Name: REHNQUIST, JANET
Covered Official Position (if applicable):
Name: SMITH, ROBERT
Covered Official Position (if applicable):
Name: WILLIAMS, ALISON
Covered Official Position (if applicable):

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:

MED

12. Specific lobbying issues (current and anticipated):

preparation for bioterrorism events and natural biological catastrophes

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 periodin 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 13, 2006

Printed Name and Title: MIKE FERRELL, PARTNER -