

# Common Cause

## **OREGON TIMBER INDUSTRY CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRESIDENT BUSH AND THE REPUBLICAN PARTY**

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This report documents individual and collective contributions by the Oregon timber industry to the Bush-Cheney presidential campaign over the last four years.

Since 2000, the Oregon timber industry has contributed steadily to the Bush-Cheney presidential campaign and the Republican Party, and stands to profit from the Bush administration's rollbacks of federal forest protections and the resulting increased logging on federal forests in the state. For its part, the Bush administration has clearly delivered for the industry, including:

- Repeal of the roadless rule, which protected 1.9 million acres of roadless federal forests in Oregon.
- Enactment of the Healthy Forests Initiative, which allows logging of large healthy trees in the backcountry to pay for less lucrative forest thinning efforts in other parts of the forest.
- Repeal of old growth habitat protection rules in the Northwest Forest Plan.
- Rollback of stream and watershed protections in the Northwest Forest Plan.
- Advancement of the largest federal timber sale in modern history, the Biscuit Fire Recovery Project in the Siskiyou Wild Rivers area of southwest Oregon.

The Healthy Forests Initiative was clear payback that the industry wanted in return for its campaign contributions. As Max Merlich, vice president of logging operations of Columbia Helicopters, said in an August 2003 logging journal: "We have seen some bankruptcies, some consolidations, but we are optimistic about the future because we think there are political changes afoot.... Columbia put a lot of time and money into getting Bush elected and we are trying to get this Bush Healthy Forest Initiative rammed through so we can get to work and get the job done."<sup>1</sup> Since 2000, Columbia Helicopters and individuals related to the company contributed at least \$118,750 in soft and hard money contributions to the Republicans and President Bush.

The Biscuit Fire Recovery Project on the Siskiyou National Forest is another compelling example of the timber industry's influence over the Bush administration's forest policies. In 2003, after input from Oregon State University Forestry Engineer John Sessions and pressure from the timber industry, the Bush administration dramatically increased the size of the timber sale to include heavy logging in roadless areas and old growth reserves. Even though more than

90 percent of the public comments received on the proposal were against it, the Forest Service is still proceeding with it. Columbia Helicopters, which heli-logs in roadless areas, and several southern Oregon mills stand to benefit from logging this area. One such mill is the Rough and Ready Lumber Company. Since 2000, Rough and Ready Lumber and individuals related to the company contributed at least \$27,450 in soft and hard money contributions to President Bush and the GOP.

### **Blurring Contributions and Federal Forest Policy**

Oregon timber industry officials have met repeatedly with the Bush-Cheney campaign and with White House officials to discuss forest policy and give money. However, sometimes the lines between contributions and discussion of forest policy have blurred. For example:

- In early March 2003, Mark Rey and White House political chief Karl Rove met with timber industry executives in Portland. Describing the meeting, the *Oregonian* reported: "It's yet another sign of how closely the Bush administration is working with an industry it regards as a key part of its support base." Participants said the meeting attracted about 100 people from timber-related industries and pledge forms were distributed urging companies to contribute, up to a maximum \$275,000, to the public-relations campaign to promote the Healthy Forests Initiative. (*Oregonian*, March 9, 2003)

### **Oregon Natural Resources Leadership Team: A Timber Industry Re-election Panel**

Many of the same industry executives who have given substantially to President Bush have also been appointed to a Bush-Cheney re-election campaign team for the environment.

- In May 2004, the Bush-Cheney campaign announced its Oregon Natural Resources Leadership Team, a group designed to build a statewide network of grassroots support highlighting President Bush's commitment to protecting the environment. The Oregon Natural Resources Team is supposed to be part of a national effort of coalition groups supporting President Bush's environmental record. (*KOMO-TV, Seattle*) But in Oregon, seven of the eight members of the team have timber backgrounds or interests. The campaign named Steve Swanson, president of the Swanson Group Inc., to serve as the team's chairman. (*Statesman Journal*, 5/27/04) Swanson has given over \$75,000 in campaign contributions to the GOP and President Bush.

### **Record Campaign Contributions**

Donations by timber industry executives and family members are listed in detail below. Unless otherwise indicated in the endnotes, the source of the campaign contribution data was the Center for Responsive Politics. Some notable facts include:

- The forest products industry gave 10 times more money to President Bush than any other presidential candidate and has pushed the administration for a steady flow of federal timber. (*Oregonian*, April 29, 2002)
- In Oregon, 14 timber companies donated more than \$670,000 to President Bush and the Republican Party during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Additionally, the Oregon timber industry gave hundreds of thousands of dollars in soft money to other Republican candidates.
- In May 2000, President Bush met with a group of timber executives in Portland. Each attendee contributed \$100,000 to the Republican Party in exchange for a 45-minute meeting. Several of the people present at the event were prominent executives and mill owners in the Oregon timber industry, such as Howard Sohn with Sun Studs, Don Johnson of D.R. Johnson Lumber and John Hampton of Hampton Affiliates. (*Oregonian*, May 21, 2000)
- Seven timber industry executives contributed \$25,000 each to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003, for a total of \$175,000. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

### Individual Contributions

#### STEVE SWANSON

On May 27, 2004, the Bush-Cheney Campaign announced its "Natural Resources Leadership Team for Oregon."<sup>2</sup> The director of the leadership team is Steve Swanson, president of the Swanson Group Inc, a family-owned timber company with headquarters in Glendale. Steven Swanson gave \$25,000 to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003.

Superior Lumber-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$56,250 and Swanson Group-related individuals gave at least \$8,700 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Swanson-Superior Forest Products		\$50,000	REPUBLICANS
SWANSON, STEVEN D MRGRANTS PASS,OR 97526	SUPERIOR LUMBER CO./C. E. O.	8/28/2003	\$5,000	National Republican Congressional Cmte
SWANSON, STEVEN D MR GRANTS PASS,OR 97526	SWANSON GROUP INSURANCE/C.E.O./FORE	8/29/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W
CULBERTSON, GORDON MR SPRINGFIELD,OR 97478	SWANSON GROUP INC./VICE PRESIDENT R	12/11/2003	\$500	Bush, George W
SWANSON, STEVEN D MR GLENDALE,OR 97442	SUPERIOR LUMBER COMPANY/GENERAL	12/31/2003	\$25,000	Republican National Cmte

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SWANSON, STEVEN GRANTS PASS,OR 97526	SUPERIOR LUMBER CO./MANAGER	2/18/2004	\$10,000	Republican Party of Oregon

NOTE: Swanson Group has mills in Glendale OR (used to be Superior Lumber), Noti OR (used to be Swanson-Superior), and Roseburg OR (used to be Sun Studs).<sup>3</sup>

FRERES LUMBER COMPANY

Another member of the Bush-Cheney campaign's "Natural Resources Leadership Team" is Rob Freres, Vice President of Freres Lumber Company and a former President of the Northwest Timber Association.

On December 31, 2003, Rob Freres gave \$25,000 to the Republican National Committee and in February 2004, he contributed \$10,000 to the Oregon Republican Party. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

Freres Lumber-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$66,325 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2002 CYCLE	Freres Lumber Co		\$8,350	REPUBLICANS
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Freres Lumber Co		\$100,000	REPUBLICANS
FRERES, ROBERT MR JR SALEM,OR 97302	FRERES LUMBER COMPANY INC./LUMBERMA	6/12/2000	\$1,000	Bush, George W
FRERES, ROBERT T JR SALEM,OR 97302	FRERES LUM	1/27/2001	\$225	RNC/Repub National State Elections Cmte
FRERES, ROBERT T JR SALEM,OR 97302	FRERES LUMBER COMPANY INC	1/27/2001	\$225	RNC/Repub National State Elections Cmte
FRERES, ROBERT T JR SALEM,OR 97302	FRERES LUM	1/29/2001	\$3,950	RNC/Repub National State Elections Cmte
FRERES, ROBERT T JR SALEM,OR 97302	FRERES LUMBER COMPANY INC	1/29/2001	\$3,950	RNC/Repub National State Elections Cmte
MR ROB FRERES LYONS,OR 97358	FRERES LUMBER COMPANY/LUMBER MAN	6/28/2002	\$250	Republican Party of Oregon
FRERES, ROB MR LYONS,OR 97358	FRERES LUMBER CO./VICE PRESIDENT	8/28/2003	\$5,000	National Republican Congressional Cmte
FRERES, ROBERT T MR JR SALEM,OR 97302	FRERES LUMBER COMPANY INC./VICE PRE	12/31/2003	\$25,000	Republican National Cmte
FRERES, ROB	FRERES LUMBER	2/18/2004	\$10,000	Republican Party

LYONS,OR 97358	COMPANY			of Oregon
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COLUMBIA HELICOPTERS

Several administration officials met privately with industry executives in December 2001 at the Aurora headquarters of Columbia Helicopter to talk about changes to forest management policies. (*Oregonian*, March 9, 2003)

Employees of Columbia Helicopters have contributed \$90,000 to the Bush-Cheney campaign and the Republican Party since 1999. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*).

One Columbia Helicopter contributor, Max Merlich, Vice President of Forest Operations, was recently named to be part of the Bush-Cheney campaign's "Natural Resources Leadership Team." (*Statesman Journal*, 5/27/04)

Columbia Helicopter-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$48,250 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2002 CYCLE	Columbia Helicopters		\$500	REPUBLICANS
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Columbia Helicopters		\$70,000	REPUBLICANS
FAHEY, MICHAEL A LAKE OSWEGO,OR 97034	COLUMBIA HELICOPTERS INC	10/30/2000	\$500	National Republican Congressional Cmte
LEMATTA, WES PORTLAND,OR 97208	COLUMBIA HELICOPTERS INC	6/14/2002	\$6,250	National Republican Senatorial Cmte
LEMATTA, WES MR PORTLAND,OR 97208	COLUMBIA HELICOPTERS INC./CHAIRMAN	6/14/2002	\$12,500	2002 Presidents Dinner Cmte
LEMATTA, WES MR PORTLAND,OR 97208	COLUMBIA HELICOPTERS INC./CHAIRMAN	6/14/2002	\$6,250	National Republican Congressional Cmte
FAHEY, MICHAEL A MR LAKE OSWEGO,OR 97034	COLUMBIA HELICOPTERS INC./V P OF FI	1/10/2003	\$500	National Republican Congressional Cmte
FAHEY, MICHAEL A MR LAKE OSWEGO,OR 97034	COLUMBIA HELICOPTERS/	8/29/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W
HUMPHREYS, RICHARD MR WOODBURN,OR 97071	COLUMBIA HELICOPTERS INC./	1/30/2004	\$250	Bush, George W

GIUSTINA FAMILY

AJ Giustina, a partner with Giustina Land and Timber Company in Eugene Ore. gave \$4,489 to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003. Dan Giustina, a manager at Giustina Resources donated \$25,000 to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

N.B. Giustina, also a partner in Giustina Land and Timber Company, contributed to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003, giving \$10,709. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

Sylvia Giustina, another partner with Giustina, gave \$4,489 to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

L.M.M. Giustina contributed \$1,353 to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

E. Dannell Giustina, a managing partner at Giustina Resources, contributed \$2,000 to Bush-Cheney on August 29, 2003 and \$10,000 to the Oregon Republican Party on February 18, 2004. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

Giustina company-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$182,160 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Giustina Resources		\$100,000	REPUBLICANS
GIUSTINA, EHRMAN V EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES	6/24/1999	\$1,000	Bush, George W
GIUSTINA, EHRMAN V EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES	5/22/2000	\$20,000	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, EHRMAN V EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES	5/22/2000	\$20,000	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, DAN EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES	5/23/2000	\$20,000	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, GREGORY L EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES	5/23/2000	\$20,000	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, N B EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES	5/23/2000	\$20,000	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, TERI MS EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES	5/23/2000	\$20,000	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, LARRY M EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA LAND & TIMBER CO	9/20/2000	\$1,000	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, E DANELL MR EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES/MAN AGING PARTNER	8/29/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W
FRUIHT, DELORES EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA LAND & TIMBER	12/31/2003	\$1,252	Republican National Cmte

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GIUSTINA, A J EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA LAND & TIMBER CO./PARTNERS	12/31/2003	\$4,489	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, DAN MR EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES/MAN AGEMENT	12/31/2003	\$25,000	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, L M M EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA LAND & TIMBER CO./PARTNERS	12/31/2003	\$1,353	Republican National Cmte
GOLDBECK, IRENE EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA LAND & TIMBER CO./PARTNERS	12/31/2003	\$1,354	Republican National Cmte
NEWLOVE, NATALIE EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA LAND & TIMBER CO./PARTNERS	12/31/2003	\$1,354	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, SYLVIA EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA LAND & TIMBER CO./PARTNERS	12/31/2003	\$4,489	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, THOMAS A EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA LAND & TIMBER CO./PARTNERS	12/31/2003	\$10,709	Republican National Cmte
GIUSTINA, E DANELL EUGENE,OR 97440	GIUSTINA RESOURCES	2/18/2004	\$10,000	Republican Party of Oregon

#### ROSEBURG FOREST PRODUCTS

Allyn Ford, President and owner of Roseburg Forest Products, gave \$25,000 to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003. He also contributed \$1,000 to the National Republican Congressional Committee on August 8, 2003. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

Roseburg Forest Products-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$33,750 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Roseburg Forest Products		\$100,000	REPUBLICANS
FORD, ALLYN C ROSEBURG,OR 97470	ROSEBURG FORSET PRODUCTS	7/14/1999	\$1,000	Bush, George W
FORD, ALLYN C ROSEBURG,OR 97470	ROSEBURG FOREST PRODUCTS/	8/28/2003	\$1,000	National Republican Congressional Cmte
FORD, ALLYN C MR ROSEBURG,OR 97470	ROSEBURG FORSET PRODUCTS	8/29/2003	\$1,000	Bush, George W
FORD, ALLYN C MR	ROSEBURG	8/29/2003	\$1,000	Bush, George W

ROSEBURG,OR 97470	FORSET PRODUCTS			
FORD, ALLYN MR ROSEBURG,OR 97470	ROSEBURG FOREST PRODUCTS/	12/31/2003	\$25,000	Republican National Cmte

HAMPTON LUMBER SALES

John Hampton, President of Hampton Lumber Sales, gave the Republican National Committee \$25,000 on December 31, 2003. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

Hampton Lumber-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$33,500 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Hampton Lumber		\$100,000	REPUBLICANS
HAMPTON, JOHN C MR PORTLAND,OR 97221	HAMPTON LUMBER & AFFILIATES/ OWNER	8/28/2003	\$4,000	National Republican Congressional Cmte
HAMPTON, JOHN MR PORTLAND,OR 97225	HAMPTON LUMBER SALES COMPANY/	12/31/2003	\$25,000	Republican National Cmte

FRONTIER RESOURCES

Jeff Demers, the Risk Manager at Frontier Resources in Eugene, contributed \$2,000 to the Bush-Cheney campaign and Greg Demers, also of Frontier Resources, contributed \$25,000 to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

Frontier Resources-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$52,825 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Frontier Resources		\$100,000	REPUBLICANS
SOFT MONEY 2002 CYCLE	Frontier Resources		\$37,650	REPUBLICANS
DEMERS, GREGORY M VENETA,OR 97487	FRONTIER RESOURCES LLC	1/31/2001	\$18,825	RNC/Repub National State Elections Cmte
DEMERS, JEFFREY MR EUGENE,OR 97405	FRONTIER RESOURCES L.L.C./ADMINISTR	9/18/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W
DEMERS, GREG M MR VENETA,OR 97487	FRONTIER RESOURCES L. L. C./PRESIDE	12/31/2003	\$25,000	Republican National Cmte

OTHER

Milton Herbert, owner of Herbert Lumber Company in Riddle, Oregon gave \$25,000 to the Republican National Committee on December 31, 2003. (*Federal Elections Commission*)



Herbert Lumber-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$28,750 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
HERBERT, LYNN MS MYRTLE CREEK,OR 97457	HERBERT LUMBER CO./OWNER	8/28/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W
HERBERT, MILTON MR RIDDLE,OR 97469	HERBERT LUMBER CO./OWNER	12/31/2003	\$25,000	Republican National Cmte

#### RICHARD SOHN/SUN STUDS

Richard Sohn of Sun Studs Incorporated also donated to the Bush-Cheney Campaign in 2003. He gave \$2,000 on August 29, 2003. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

Sun Studs-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$10,247 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Sun Studs		\$100,000	REPUBLICANS
SOHN, FRED MR ROSEBURG,OR 97470	SUN STUDS INC./CHAIRMAN OF THEBOARD	3/28/2000	\$1,000	Bush, George W
RAGON, ROBERT E MR ROSEBURG,OR 97470	SUN STUDS INC./EXECUTIVE VICE PRESI	6/30/2000	\$250	Bush, George W

NOTE: Swanson Group has mills in Glendale OR (used to be Superior Lumber), Noti OR (used to be Swanson-Superior), and Roseburg OR (used to be Sun Studs).<sup>4</sup>

#### STIMSON LUMBER

Andrew Miller, the CEO of Stimson Lumber Company, gave \$2,000 to the Bush-Cheney Campaign on March 24, 2004. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

Stimson Lumber-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$17,750 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Stimson Lumber		\$10,000	REPUBLICANS
MILLER, ANDREW W MR PORTLAND,OR 97201	STIMSON LUMBER COMPANY/C.E.O.	3/24/2004	\$2,000	Bush, George W

#### ROUGH AND READY LUMBER

Lincoln Phillippi, President of Rough and Ready Lumber Company, gave \$2,000 to the Bush-Cheney Campaign on August 28, 2003. (*Federal Election Commission Reports*)

Rough & Ready Lumber-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$5,700 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Rough & Ready Lumber Co		\$25,250	REPUBLICANS
KRAUSS, LEWIS SELMA,OR 97538	ROUGH & READY TIMBER CO	2/13/2002	\$200	National Republican Senatorial Cmte
PHILLIPPI, LINCOLN MR CAVE JUNCTION,OR 97523	ROUGH & READY LUMBER	8/28/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W

### DR JOHNSON

DR Johnson-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$19,200 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 1998 CYCLE	DR Johnson Lumber		\$1,000	REPUBLICANS
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	DR Johnson Lumber		\$90,000	REPUBLICANS
SOFT MONEY 2002 CYCLE	DR Johnson Lumber		\$53,960	REPUBLICANS
JOHNSON, DONALD R RIDDLE,OR 97469	D R JOHNSON LUMBER	5/17/1999	\$1,000	Republican National Cmte
JOHNSON, DON R RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBERMAN	7/8/1999	\$1,000	Bush, George W
JOHNSON, DON R RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBERMAN	7/14/1999	\$1,000	Bush, George W
JOHNSON, DON R RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBER MAN	7/21/1999	\$500	National Republican Congressional Cmte
JOHNSON, DON R RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBERMAN	9/8/1999	(\$1,000)	Bush, George W
JOHNSON, DON R RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBERMAN	9/8/1999	\$1,000	Bush, George W
JOHNSON, DON R RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBER MAN	11/18/1999	\$600	National Republican Congressional Cmte
JOHNSON, DON R RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBER MAN	12/8/1999	\$600	National Republican Congressional Cmte
JOHNSON, DONALD R MR RIDDLE,OR 97469	DR JOHNSON LUMBER	12/31/1999	\$1,000	Republican National Cmte
JOHNSON, DONALD R RIDDLE,OR 97469	D R JOHNSON LUMBER	5/22/2000	\$5,000	Republican National Cmte
JOHNSON, DON R RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBER MAN	9/1/2000	\$500	National Republican

				Congressional Cmte
JOHNSON, DON R RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBER MAN	11/1/2000	\$500	National Republican Congressional Cmte
JOHNSON, DONALD R RIDDLE,OR 97469	D R JOHNSON LUMBER COMPANY	1/29/2001	\$3,960	RNC/Repub National State Elections Cmte
JOHNSON, DONALD RIDDLE,OR 97469	LUMBER	2/18/2004	\$10,000	Republican Party of Oregon

SENECA SAWMILL AND SENECA JONES TIMBER

Seneca Lumber-related individuals residing in Oregon gave at least \$47,314 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Seneca Sawmill		\$100,000	REPUBLICANS
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Seneca Jones Timber		\$6,000	REPUBLICANS
SOFT MONEY 2002 CYCLE	Seneca Jones Timber Co		\$2,500	REPUBLICANS
SOFT MONEY 2002 CYCLE	Seneca Jones Timbe		\$1,000	REPUBLICANS
JONES, AARON U EUGENE,OR 97440	SENECKA SAWMILL COMPANY	8/10/1999	\$2,000	Bush, George W
JONES, AARON U EUGENE,OR 97440		9/7/1999	(\$1,000)	Bush, George W
JONES, AARON U MR EUGENE,OR 97440	SENECKA SAWMILL COMPANY/	8/29/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W
JONES, AARON MR EUGENE,OR 97440	SENECA JONES TIMBER COMPANY/OWNER	12/31/2003	\$25,000	Republican National Cmte

SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES

Sierra Pacific Industries-related individuals gave at least \$60,850 in campaign contributions during the 2000, 2002, and 2004 election cycles. Only donations to President Bush and the Republican Party are listed (except for soft money donations which include all donations to Republican candidates).				
SOFT MONEY 2000 CYCLE	Sierra Pacific Industries		\$2,500	REPUBLICANS
PAC MONEY 2000 CYCLE	SIERRA PACIFIC EMPLOYEES POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE	05/22/2000	\$2000	George W. Bush
PAC MONEY 2004 CYCLE	SIERRA PACIFIC EMPLOYEES POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE <sup>5</sup>	01/13/2004	\$1000	Bush-Cheney 04
EMMERSON, A A MR	SIERRA PACIFIC	6/29/1999	\$1,000	Bush, George W

REDDING,CA 96049	INDUSTRIES			
EMMERSON, MARK D REDDING,CA 96049	SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES	6/30/1999	\$1,000	Bush, George W
EMMERSON, A A MR REDDING,CA 96049	SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES	9/27/2000	\$1,000	Republican Party of California
EMMERSON, A A MR REDDING,CA 96002	SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES/	6/30/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W
EMMERSON, GEORGE MR BELLA VISTA,CA 96008	SIERRA PACIFIC IND./EXECUTIVE	6/30/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W
EMMERSON, SUSAN MRS BELLA VISTA,CA 96008	HOMEMAKER	6/30/2003	\$2,000	Bush, George W

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<sup>1</sup> Helicopter Logging's Bumpy Ride: Using helicopters to thin forests instead of fighting fires, By Bob Bruce, Timber West Journal, July Aug, 2003, [http://www.forestnet.com/timberwest/archives/July\\_Aug\\_03/helicopter.htm](http://www.forestnet.com/timberwest/archives/July_Aug_03/helicopter.htm)

<sup>2</sup> Described in Oregonian, May 28, 2004, [http://www.oregonlive.com/news/oregonian/index.ssf?/base/front\\_page/10866962818010.xml](http://www.oregonlive.com/news/oregonian/index.ssf?/base/front_page/10866962818010.xml)

<sup>3</sup> Swanson Group website [http://www.swansongroupinc.com/about\\_us/](http://www.swansongroupinc.com/about_us/) accessed July 16, 2004.

<sup>4</sup> Swanson Group website [http://www.swansongroupinc.com/about\\_us/](http://www.swansongroupinc.com/about_us/) accessed July 16, 2004.

<sup>5</sup> <http://herndon1.sdrdc.com/cgi-bin/fecimg/?24990974224>