

Full exchanges with Chris Davies

Vicky

Thanks. You will be able to read all that I wish to say in the Transparency Register.

I feel let down by your organisation and I am not convinced that it has value.

I don't think you did a thing to lend support to those MEPs who exposed practices that should never be tolerated, promoted relevant budgetary control amendments year after year, and who tried to set personal standards of transparency and financial behaviour that went far beyond the parliamentary or legal requirements.

If I am ever asked to advise companies about how they should campaign for change it would be to take a different approach to that of the CEO.

Chris

Dear Mr Davies

Thanks for your prompt reply. I would be interested to know more about your work for FleishmanHillard, Lexmark International, European Climate Foundation, including the specific issues worked on for each of those clients.

Detailed information about CEO's funders is available on our website:

<http://corporateeurope.org/about-ceo> and also on our lobby register entry:

<http://ec.europa.eu/transparencyregister/public/consultation/displaylobbyist.do?id=5353162366-85>

Information about our work around the 2014 election is available on our website and on that of ALTER-EU where we made a significant contribution to the Politics for People campaign:

<http://corporateeurope.org/blog/after-breakthroughs-public-debate-will-new-european-parliament-tackle-corporate-lobbying>

<http://alter-eu.org/politics-for-people-2014-eu-election-campaign>

I would be pleased to receive any further answers to my previous questions.

Yours sincerely,

Vicky Cann

Dear Vicky

I no longer hold public office. Despite being one of the most transparent MEPs in Brussels,

declaring ALL my expenditure and money received from ALL public sources (I had no additional private sources), having my accounts checked by accountants and then published, detailing everything including my tax returns on my website, I got kicked out by the electorate last year.

I comply now with the requirements of the Transparency Register with regards to such work as I have done since my rejection by the voters, and I will go further than the requirements when the Commission staff correct the bug that keeps wiping my additional comments each time I try to enter them.

I will say, however, that I have done absolutely no work on CCS for Fleishman Hillard, and to date my only income (EVER) from my knowledge of CCS has been to receive payment earlier this year of £1000 from the Global Carbon Capture and Storage Institute for a 2000 word article I wrote including follow up media promotion of it.

Will you please let me know all the sources of income received by the Corporate Europe Observatory, and explain to me what the NGO did to promote the election last year of MEPs dedicated to supporting the application of the principles of financial transparency by those holding public office?

Thanks for all your support - NOT !!!

Regards

Chris Davies

Dear Mr Davies,

I work for an NGO called Corporate Europe Observatory which is a research and campaign group concerned with the access and influence enjoyed by corporations and their lobby groups in EU policy-making: <http://corporateeurope.org/>

I would like to ask you some questions about your work since leaving the European Parliament. It would be very useful to understand more about this from your side before we consider publishing an article on this issue. I would appreciate receiving a response from you before Tuesday 1 September 2015.

1. I understand that you are currently working as consultant, including on issues related to carbon capture and storage. Is this freelance work or via another organisation? If the latter, which? I have heard that you are now working with or for FleishmannHillard? Is this true and in what capacity?
2. Who are your consultancy clients?
3. What specific topics/ issues do you consult upon?
4. What specific tasks does your consultancy involve eg. research; strategy; communications...
5. Can you describe your specific consultancy work on carbon capture and storage?
6. What lobbying do you conduct towards the EU institutions, including the European Parliament and the European Commission on behalf of your clients?
7. What lobbying do you conduct towards the UK government or Parliament on behalf

of your clients?

8. What overlap do you see between this work and your previous role as an MEP including your membership of the ENVE and climate change committees?
9. Are there any specific issues which you have agreed with your clients that you will not work on because of the risk of conflicts of interest with your work as a former MEP?
10. Have you accepted any other paid roles since leaving the European Parliament, other than consultancy? If so, what?
11. Have you claimed the transitional allowance since leaving the European Parliament? If so, how much has this amounted to per month?
12. Do you have any other comments to make about these issues?

I look forward to hearing from you; thank you very much in advance for your time.

Yours sincerely,

Vicky Cann

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