

Senator Barbara Mikulski  
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January 11, 2013

Dear Senator Mikulski:

Thank-you very much for your letter of December 19, 2012, offering to help us. Attached for your reference is a copy of our original letter to you dated December 14, 2012.

Yesterday, we called to advise your staff that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is continuing to disregard our patent and using our trade secrets and our proprietary business information to duplicate our products under a multi-million dollar contract with Battelle.

During our conversation, we were told by your staff that it usually takes at least 30 days to elicit any type of answer from a government agency in response to a letter regarding a constituent concern like ours. And even then, your staff cautioned, the agency response is usually only an acknowledgement of your letter to them that contains no real answer.

We were also told that because our company's problems involve legal issues that our case fell outside of your purview and that you would not be able to intervene on our behalf with the FDA based on ethical concerns. We do not understand this. Your staff suggested that we hire an attorney to pursue the matter since you are unable to help us.

Senator Mikulski, we are a small company being run out of business by our own government. We have no money left to pay for a long and expensive legal battle involving the government. Our life savings are gone. We cannot even afford to pay our own salaries. We have been forced to lay off all of our employees. Potential industry buyers of our product are now asking themselves, "Why should we pay for your product when we can get the same thing from the government for free?" Our situation is truly desperate.

Senator Mikulski, if we cannot turn to you as our elected representative to help us stop unethical and unfair practices by our own government against us, then who can we turn to? Please help us.

Most respectfully yours,

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