



United States of America
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20580

Office of the Secretary

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Mark Lee
State of Texas

RE: *In the Matter of Telomerase Activation Sciences, Inc. and Noel Thomas Patton*, Matter No. 142 3103

Dear Mark Lee:

Thank you for your comment regarding the above-referenced matter. Your comment was placed on the public record pursuant to Section 4.9(b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 4.9(b)(6)(ii), and was given serious consideration by the Commission.

In your comment, you express concerns with the proposed settlement because it does not provide any "monetary sanction." The Commission's complaint alleges violations of Sections 5 and 12 of the FTC Act by respondents Telomerase Activation Sciences, Inc. and Noel Patton. The Commission considers a number of factors in determining whether to seek consumer redress. However, based on the evidence and the allegations in this case, the Commission determined that the proposed consent order's injunctive relief would remedy the alleged violations of the FTC Act and adequately deter future violations. Furthermore, respondents will be subject to the Commission's final order for twenty years, and, if they violate this order in the future, they could be liable for civil penalties of up to \$41,484 per violation, pursuant to Section 5(l) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45(l). As is the case with all Commission orders, Commission staff will closely monitor respondents' future activities to determine whether any violations occur.

After carefully considering your comment, the Commission has determined that the public interest is best served by issuing the Decision and Order in final form without modification. A copy of the final Decision and Order, and other relevant materials, are available from the Commission's website at <http://www.ftc.gov>.

Thank you again for your comment. The Commission is aided in its analysis by hearing from a variety of sources and appreciates your interest in this matter.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark
Secretary