

FTC/Office of the Secretary
Room H-135 (Annex W)
RE: Business Opportunity Rule – R511993
600 Pennsylvania Av. NW
Washington, DC 20580

June 13, 2006

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to express my concerns about the proposed Business Opportunity Rule R511993. The FTC's role in protecting the public from unfair and deceptive acts and practices I believe is very important and appreciated.

I started consuming **Mannatech nutritional supplements** in April of 2006 after struggling for more than a year with hard symptoms of skin disorders and the side effects from drugs that supposedly controlled them. After just a couple months I became free of side effects. **Mannatech** gave me a new perspective to manage my symptoms and the side effects of the pharmaceutical drugs, these supplements are helping my body to restore my health through this new technology, which Mannatech developed after so many years of scientific research. This technology is bringing hope and improvement to the health of thousands of people around the world. There are more than 40,000 scientific reports that support the significance of the daily intake of the nutrition that is offered by Mannatech.

Mannatech is as well a new option and hope that I chose to start a business with; which will make an addition to my income that my family of 7 will benefit from.

I strongly oppose to the proposed “**seven-day waiting period**”. It will be extremely difficult, if not impossible for me to grow my new business with the seven-day waiting period to register new associates or members. Most of the people interested in the product will be very disappointed with any waiting period to be registered, because they understand very well how this nutrition (which we are offering through Mannatech) can nourish their bodies by providing the right supplements that we cannot get from our daily food sources. Also this waiting period will discourage a lot of customers to consider this nutrition technology, from Mannatech, as an option to start building their own business as I did.

It will be unfair to trigger the lack of trust by “**release the information of lawsuits**” regardless of determination of innocence or guilt, high percentage of these lawsuits are unsuccessful. The only information that should be disclosed is **judgment of proven guilt**.

It will not make a good policy to require that we release other people's identities or personal information. The whole nation is very concern about protecting people's identities, and people are extremely susceptible when their identity protection is taken in consideration as well. This policy will harm every single intention to do business, start a new business, or growing a business that is already established. This proposed rule will make new buyers very uncomfortable from the very beginning if their personal information would be disclosed in the future to other buyers if they are in the system.

I appreciate and think that it is very important that the FTC protect American Consumers from dishonest business practices, but I believe the proposed rule in its current form will damage the public interest and is against legitimate business practice. It will discourage people from being proactive in building business in this vital growing field of nutritional science.

In my opinion the proposed rule R511993 would do great harm to good businesses such as Mannatech, which I believe is not FTC's intentions. I urge you not to adopt the Rule R511993, and please explore other approaches to protect the public interest.

I will appreciate your consideration to my views.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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