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June 13, 2006

Federal Trade Commission/Office of the Secretary, Room H-135 (Annex W)
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580
RE: Business Opportunity Rule, **R511993**

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my concern over the proposed Business Opportunity Rule, R511993, and the impact that this ruling would have on me as an Independent Associate in the Mannatech Corporation (glyconutritional supplements). I appreciate the FTC's role of protecting the public from anything deceptive, illegal, or unethical; however, some of the proposed sections in its present form will create unnecessary roadblocks for me as well as others who work for legitimate, trustworthy businesses.

What is the purpose of the seven day waiting period to enroll new distributors? There are levels ranging from \$39 to \$1100, and when I joined with Mannatech in August of 2005, I wanted to get started right away! This corporation has a 90% buy-back policy for all products. By implementing a waiting period, the excess paperwork and detailed information requirements would cause considerable problems.

As for information regarding lawsuits, misrepresentation, unfair or deceptive practices, there are businesses world wide that are legally hiding or using the system to deceive thousands of blue-collar workers (I know because I work full time for one of them) and **no one**, except for those who are unionized, is looking out for them! I am extremely proud not only to be a part of Mannatech but of the representation from the CEO down to the lowest member of the company. Identity theft poses another issue. It would not look trustworthy, in my opinion, to give contact information which could be disclosed at some point to other buyers. I would neither share my personal information with someone I did not know, nor would I give out the personal data of someone who trusted me.

As I stated previously, I have been with Mannatech a little less than a year as an Associate. It was not the earning potential that attracted me to become a part of this company: God and helping others are the two main purposes permeating throughout the

whole organization. As a Christian I can say in all honesty that hearing about a company like this was an answer to prayer!

Please reconsider applying this ruling and the consequences that it will incur. Protecting consumers is and should be of the utmost importance, and I appreciate the work of the FTC but this will have a negative effect on my ability to continue as a direct sales representative. Thank you for taking the time to let me voice my opinion concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

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Nona B. Trull