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Dear Ms Deborah Majoras & Commissioners

I read about the proposed Business Opportunity Rule R511993 being considered and am greatly concerned about the ~~negativ~~ some of the stipulations in this rule virtually bringing my small business to a standstill.

I am a distributor with Mannatech Corporation. I've been in direct marketing with 10 different companies over the last 15 years. The business plan for marketing in a direct marketing business is based upon a new business owner developing marketing momentum through referral networking.

If each ~~prone~~ perspective business owner would have to wait 7 days before they could start — as though they were purchasing a dangerous weapon — you can see how that contradicts the business model of direct marketing, + New business owners will be stopped at the gate.

Direct marketing has evolved into a business model in which consumers and business owners share the ~~marketing~~ wealth from market growth.

In fact, the increase & complexity of regulation R 51193 proposed will, on the contrary to what I believe your agenda is — to protect the consumer from unfair business practices, ~~and/or products that are~~ not protect the "consumer" but retard their capacity to share the wealth of market growth.

While I feel that your intent was & is earnestly in the interest of the consumer's protection, the opposite! It means the outcome will be more control & manipulation of — in other words will disempower the consumer. — and prevent the free market development of consumer power in the evolution of the direct marketing, referral models of business in which consumers become direct participants in the marketing of products & services.

While I do heartily agree that there should be ~~not~~ consumer protection watch dogs, be careful how these laws/policies would affect consumers

who have a potential to become a business owner.

This is where RK 599113 becomes a detriment to my livelihood as a consumer of direct marketed products that I refer to other new consumers who have also the possibility of sharing referral and/or commission income from growth markets of consumer referral networks.

I appreciate you considering my opinions in your deliberations

Sincerely,

Victor G. Clark LPC.

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