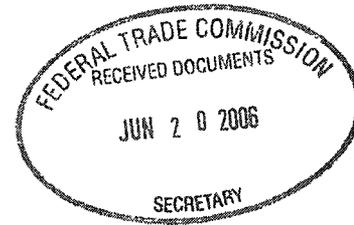


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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing you concerning the proposed Business Opportunity Rule, R511993. I am very concerned that this rule will prevent me from continuing as an Independent Associate with Mannatech, Inc. I understand and appreciate that the FTC is endeavoring to protect the public from unscrupulous sales practices, but unfortunately, this ruling will hurt far more people than it will help.

I have been a Mannatech Independent Associate for 10 years now, and it is my family's ONLY source of income. My husband has had 5 major surgeries in the past 2 years, and it will be quite some time before he can return to a full time job – but fortunately, I have built our Mannatech business up to the place that it is sustaining us in a full time capacity. I have not built this business on any unscrupulous practices – but only on helping people regain their quality of health and life as mine was restored, and my husband's is being restored. Not only does our Mannatech business provide us with necessary income so I can be there to take care of my husband, but it also gives us a sense of purpose and meaning as we are truly able to help others achieve health and wealth. This business cannot be done by cheating or tricking people. I truly can only make my business successful when I make others successful in my group. There simply is no other way. That creates the most honest business system on the market today.

I understand that you want to protect people by enacting the above ruling, and I understand that there must be some kind of business practices that you are targeting by this ruling, but if you truly look into Mannatech's (and several other direct sales companies) practices, you will see that they are fair in every way, and no one is duped or tricked into joining. In fact, the 7 day waiting period you are proposing will hurt many people who desperately need these products, and need them quickly! In Mannatech, people never pay any fees of ANY kind. Any money paid is for wholesale (or even cheaper) product only – so everyone knows exactly what they are purchasing, and why. To make them wait 7 days serves absolutely NO purpose, and only casts a suspicious light on the company, with no cause to do so. The customer is simply purchasing product directly from Mannatech, like a Costco account – only better, because even Costco has membership fees. We do not. We also have a 90% buyback policy for all products, including sales kits purchased by a salesperson within the last twelve months, so no one will get "taken". This 7 day waiting period will create much unnecessary paperwork for myself and the company, while unscrupulous companies will ALWAYS find a way around the laws anyway.

I also take issue with the ruling of having to provide any and all information regarding lawsuits regarding the company – even if the company was found innocent. People sue for any reason all the time now, and this will further confuse the customer who simply wants to try a couple of products to feel better. Health food stores in malls, etc. are not required to provide legal information regarding their corporate status, or litigation concerning any of the products in their stores. Mannatech is just a store, located in Coppell, TX, and we, as Associates, simply help people open their own FREE wholesale accounts to purchase products direct from the

manufacturer. This is done all the time in different businesses. People make MUCH larger purchases from electronics stores, or appliance stores, etc., and do not have any waiting period – and may know nothing of the corporate status. Perhaps the company is just about to close their doors, and the extra warranty they have just purchased on their TV will be void in a week – but they have no way of knowing that – and lose their money (an unscrupulous practice, to be sure!) I guarantee you that even the extra warranties on certain products at regular stores cost more than our largest kit of wholesale products from Mannatech!

And finally, the ruling of having to disclose 10 prior purchasers nearest to my prospective customer is quite unreal in this day-and-age of identity theft. What possible purpose can this ruling serve except to make current customers angry at their invasion of privacy, and prospective customers leary of their own personal information being given to others in the future. This may cause the prospective customer to not open an account with Mannatech, and they will be denied the products they desperately need because the government says they must disclose their own personal purchases to others. What other business ANYWHERE has this kind of ruling – that what you are purchasing now can be shared with anyone! In fact, when we purchase something – anywhere else – we can make sure we are not on any email lists, that no one calls, and that no one sends us anything. Unthinkable that people simply buying some health products will have to tell everyone. I can't imagine who you are protecting with this ruling. In fact, the opposite will be happening, as people will become less protected with this law.

In conclusion, I believe the proposed Business Opportunity Rule, R511993 will have HUGE unintended harmful consequences and believe there must be a less burdensome way to reach your goal of protection to the public. I ask you to look into this issue further, and consider other options to reach your desired goals. I know I am just one single voice – here in Colorado – but I offer my help and ideas to you if you wish. Please feel free to contact me if you would like more information from me.

Thank you for your time, and for sincerely listening to one of those you wish to protect.

God's blessings to you.

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