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5600 Fishers Lane  
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Dear Commissioner Henney,

It has recently come to my attention that the quality of much of our bottled water is less than desirable, due to poor regulations. Therefore, I am writing to urge you to implement the following changes with regards to our bottled water standards:

1. set strict limits for contaminants of concern in bottled water, including arsenic, heterotrophic-plate-count bacteria, E. coli and other parasites and pathogens, and synthetic organic chemicals such as "phthalates";
2. apply the rules to all bottled water whether carbonated or not and whether sold intrastate or interstate; and
3. require bottlers to display information on their labels about the levels of contaminants of concern found in the water, the water's exact source, and whether it meets health criteria set by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Centers for Disease Control for killing parasites like cryptosporidium.

The current bottled water standards in the U.S. are unhealthy, perhaps even unsafe. You are in the position to change this. Please do everything within your power to implement tougher standards. I am also writing to my senators, urging them to pass legislation providing the resources for the FDA and state regulators to actually enforce regulations.

Thank you for your time. I look forward to your response.

Respectfully,

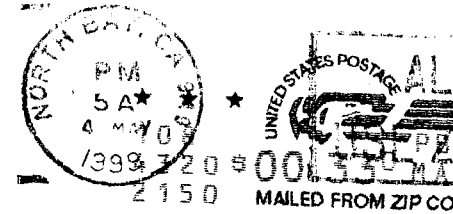
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