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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 12, 1990

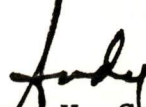
Dear Bob,

Thank you for your correspondence of July 10th regarding the ADA Bill.

Please know that I have forwarded your wife's letter to the appropriate people here at the White House.

All the best to you and your family.

Sincerely,



Andrew H. Card, Jr.
Assistant to the President
and Deputy to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Robert S. Muller
Administrator
Steelcase Inc.
Post Office Box 1967
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49501

**THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON**

DATE: July 12, 1990

TO: Bobbie Kilberg

FROM: ANDY CARD

For action -- to handle.

Steelcase Inc.
The Office Environment Company

Grand Rapids, MI 49501-1967

Ju;y 10, 1990

Honorable Andrew H. Card, Jr.
Assistant to the President
And Deputy to the Chief of Staff
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Andy:

Well, the big day for all Americans with disabilities is near. When the President signs the ADA Bill into law soon in the Rose Garden, it will become reality.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THE PRESIDENT RECEIVES THE ENCLOSED LETTER.

After four years of hard work and planning, this is a once in a lifetime event at the White House. Andy, I have worked for 24 years with Steelcase Inc., the largest manufacturer of office furniture, here in Grand Rapids, Michigan, just doing my job as an American taxpayer should do, except that I was born with cerebral palsy.

The President and Mrs. Bush knows I have done some very special events at the White House quietly over the years to give the President and his staff the credit for making the bill a reality today.

Thank you for your kindness and for being sure that the President and Mrs. Bush get the enclosed personal letter. God bless you, Andy, and your family as you serve the President and the nation.

Warmest Regards,

Bob

Robert S. Muller
Administrator
Human Resources/Member - National Council on Disability
616-247-3297

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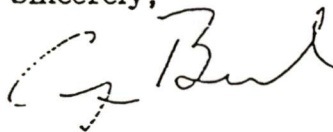
September 20, 1989

Dear Carol:

Many thanks for your card and detail of Bob's very rushed trip to D.C. I can't thank Bob enough for serving on my Council on Disability. You both are special people, and I'm glad you're on board.

With best wishes and appreciation,

Sincerely,



Mrs. Robert S. Muller
4252 Mesa Court, S.W.
Grandville, Michigan 49418

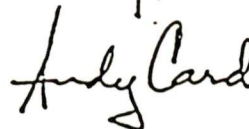
THE WHITE HOUSE

8-2-89

Bob -

Thank you for your note and for so constructively contributing to our efforts. Governor Sanguinetti worked hard following your meeting to hammer out a viable ADA bill with Senator Kennedy. You can, and should declare victory! Keep in touch.

Sincerely,



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 18, 1990

Dear Mr. Vu:

Your letter to Andrew Card has been forwarded to me for response. I would like to thank you for sharing your concerns on Vietnamese refugees. As a former refugee, I am well aware of the tremendous personal sacrifice these people are making when they leave their homeland.

At the Geneva Conference on Refugees last July, the U.S. delegation under the co-chairmanship of Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger and myself made it clear that we would remain unalterably opposed to the forced repatriation of Vietnamese asylum seekers.

Please rest assured that the President understands this issue very well, and is committed to a policy against involuntary repatriation. He reiterated this position when he addressed the Asian-American Voters Coalition at the White House on October 13, 1989. At the briefing, the President made this statement: "Let me express my support for our policy of no forced repatriation of refugees to a country like Vietnam. We're not going to retreat from our position taken at the Geneva Conference. And people who seek freedom ought to be given a chance."

Let me assure you that the Administration will continue its efforts to maintain first asylum in South East Asia. I appreciate the time and effort you took to communicate your concerns on this most important matter.

Sincerely,



Sichan Siv
Deputy Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison

Mr. Nga Vu
262 Melrose Avenue
East Lansdowne, PA 19050

bcc: Andy Card w/ Incoming

262 Melrose Avenue
E. Lansdowne, PA 19050
June 11, 1990

The Honorable Andrew Card
Assistant to the President & Deputy Chief of Staff
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
WH Room 1/WW
Washington DC 20500

Your Honor Andrew Card,

I am deeply concerned about the rapidly deteriorating situation of the Vietnamese refugees in Southeast Asia and am writing to ask you for help.

Over 55,000 Vietnamese are living in squalid camps in Hong Kong. According to recent press reports, an agreement has been negotiated with Vietnam providing for forcible return of Vietnamese who fail to prove that they fled for reasons related to persecution. The first group was returned on December 11. Many more are sure to follow. Reportedly, Hong Kong will be paying Vietnam \$620 for each person returned.

I am particularly concerned about the proposed screening of refugees which will eliminate for resettlement those considered to be "economic migrants." I believe the applied definition of "economic migrants" would include thousands of Vietnamese who had fled the country because of discrimination which denied them the humane right to earn a livelihood. This is true for all those forcibly settled without tools or equipment in the New Economic Zones. It is also true for those belonging to any religious denomination or ethnic minority, or those whose parents had fled the country illegally. These people are barred from school and eliminated from job-lists. They are direct victims of discrimination and persecution and, in fleeing the country, are refugees under the 1951 amended Refugee Convention.

The concept of repatriation is incompatible with international law and all United Nations Conventions. Moreover, the security of people repatriated cannot be guaranteed. The Socialist Republic of Vietnam stipulates in its 1985 Criminal Code that leaving the country clandestinely is illegal and punishable by prison sentences ranging from 20 years to life. Previous examples of voluntary repatriation have had disastrous consequences:

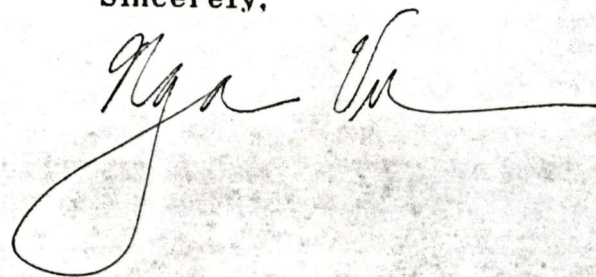
e.g. the 1,500 Vietnamese refugees arriving in Guam in 1975 on the ship "Thuong Tin" who were voluntarily demanded repatriation and, upon their return, were incarcerated in reeducation camps where a great number of them are still held today.

I urge you to join your colleagues in Capitol Hill
in:

- * Encouraging the United States to stand firm against Great Britain and Hong Kong in opposing forced repatriation, and to seek a grace period to allow voluntary repatriation to work before considering forced repatriation; and
- * Pressing the United States to take creative and energetic steps to restore and maintain first-asylum for Vietnamese;

Please take my concerns to heart. Lives are at stake! I believe you have the power to influence the future of these refugees.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Nguyen Van" or similar, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

1-2-90 Sent to
Bobbie Kilberg

12/29/89

THE WHITE HOUSE

Dear Bill-

Thank you for your note and the copy
of your correspondence to the Chief of Staff.
I will be glad to encourage the White House
Office of Public Liaison to arrange a briefing
for the National Association of Securities
Professionals on March 23, 1990.

Keep in touch.

Sincerely,
Andy Card

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Mr. William H. Hayden
Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc.
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New York, New York 10167

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December 22, 1989

Mr. Andrew Card, Jr.
Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Andy:

It has been some time since we last talked.

Attached is a letter I recently sent to Governor Sununu.

I would be most appreciative if you could help me get this to
the right people. *Want WH briefing on 3/23*

I would like to see you and others on January 12th if possible
and I will call to follow-up.

My very best wishes.

*Yes =
No =
Suggest Public Liaison? (✓)*

Sincerely,

Bill Hayden

Attachments/2

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December 22, 1989

The Honorable John H. Sununu
Chief of Staff to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Governor Sununu:

It has been some time since we last talked and our roles have changed. However, I am writing about a mutual interest. In addition to my role at Bear, Stearns I am now the Chairman of the National Association of Securities Professionals. I have attached a note outlining the organization.

On March 22 - 23, 1990, we will hold our National Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. We expect to have 200 - 300 top people from the securities industry in attendance. Our first day of activity will be spent on the Hill with appropriate Congressional leaders. I would like to devote Friday morning, March 23, 1990 to issues important to us and the Bush administration. I would like to request that the White House provide us with a briefing from 9AM to 12 Noon that day. We would like the President to address the organization, yourself, and other Cabinet members such as Treasury, HUD, SEC, Commerce and the Council on Economic Advisors. We would be especially interested in a briefing on the FIRREA legislation.

I plan to be in Washington on January 12, 1990 and I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this with you, Andy Card or other members of your staff whom you deem appropriate.

We appreciate your interest in our request and I personally feel that this meeting would be most beneficial for us and the Bush administration.

Sincerely,

Bill Hayden

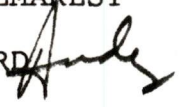
April 6

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 23, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID DEMAREST

FROM:

ANDY CARD 

SUBJECT:

American Veterinary Medical Association

Attached is background material on an invitation to the Governor to speak to the Executive Board of the American Veterinary Medical Association on April 6, 1989.

The Governor cannot meet with the group. However, he has asked that they be accommodated in their desire for a White House briefing. I will be happy to kick off the meeting by giving brief welcoming remarks.

I would appreciate if your Public Liaison folks would handle this request.

Attachment

10: Jackie Kennedy

3/8/89



AMERICAN VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS DIVISION • SUITE 300

1023 FIFTEENTH ST., NW • WASHINGTON, DC 20005 • PHONE: 202/659-2040 • FAX: 202/842-4360

February 14, 1989

Ms. Linda Leeman
2 Adams Street
Biddeford, ME 04005

Dear Ms. Leeman:

As per our phone conversation on February 10, I am providing you with the information you requested in order to make arrangements for the American Veterinary Medical Association Executive Board and Political Action Committee Policy Board of the American Veterinary Medical Association to meet with Dr. Sununu.

The AVMA leadership will be in Washington on the 6th of April. Presently the most desirable opening in their schedule for meeting with Dr. Sununu is in the morning between 9:30 and 11:30am. If this time slot proves to be a problem, please let me know and I will investigate the feasibility of changing the group's agenda. Approximately twenty five AVMA representatives would be attending the meeting, and I suspect that when spouses are included the number will ultimately rise to around 45. It can be assumed that at least 40, and no more than 50, will be in attendance.

I sincerely appreciate your efforts arrange the above meeting with Dr. Sununu. Please let me know if there is anything the AVMA Governmental Relations Division can do to assist you in this effort. I apologize for writing such a brief and to the point letter but I felt I should forward the above information to you promptly. I will be in contact with you soon. Thanks again for your help.

Sincerely,

Larry Miller
Larry Miller



TO: Jackie Kennedy
Many Thanks, *W.S.C.*
SENATOR WILLIAM S. COHEN

LINDA F. LEEMAN

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: March 23, 1989

FOR: David Demarest

FROM: ANDY CARD *Andy*

☒ Action

☐ Your Comment

☐ Let's Talk

☐ FYI

The Governor cannot do this.
Would you please have your
Public Liaison office consider
the request.

Thanks.

Center for Leadership Development

A Division of the
National Chamber Foundation

1615 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20062
(202) 463-5570

February 15, 1989

The Honorable John H. Sununu
Chief of Staff to the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Sununu:

On behalf of the Swiss-American Chamber of Commerce and the National Chamber Foundation's Center for Leadership Development, I invite you to participate in a three-day corporate executive development program, "Washington Insight on the Shaping of U.S. Policies." Specifically designed for chief executive officers of the Swiss business community, the program is scheduled April 3 - 6, 1989.

For your information and background, I have enclosed a program agenda and a list of the 25 chief executives who will be participating. These business executives will be in Washington for three days of off-the-record meetings and discussions designed to help them understand policies and programs of the U.S. Government. Their objective in participating in this program is to discuss with senior policymakers the future direction of America's trade, economic, and budget policies. As part of the week's activities, we feel that it would be vital for them to hear from you on the the scope and direction of the Administration's legislative initiatives for this year.

The session will take place on Tuesday, April 4, from 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. The title of this session is "Party Leadership -- Process, Programs and Policies -- The White House Perspective." Because of the political focus of this session, would you, as spokesperson and chief advisor to the President, share your views with these Swiss business leaders? We would like you to discuss major economic initiatives the Administration is pursuing. The participants have expressed a concern about the U.S. budget and trade deficits. Therefore, we would like you to share with this group the political and legislative processes with which the Administration hopes to begin reducing these deficits. I would like you to allow approximately 20 - 30 minutes for questions and discussion. If possible, we would like to bring the group to the White House or the Old Executive Office Building for the briefing.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 7, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR ANDY CARD
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
DEPUTY TO THE CHIEF OF STAFF

FROM: BOBBIE KILBERG ^{BK}
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
FOR PUBLIC LIAISON

KATHY JEAVONS ^{KJ}
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: "Mothers and Others for Pesticide Limits"

"Mothers and Others For Pesticide Limits" is an interest group co-chaired by Meryl Streep and Wendy Rockefeller. The group has recently issued a study in conjunction with the National Resources Defense Council delineating what they believe to be the harmful effects of pesticides on children's food.

The findings of the NRDC study conclude that pesticides sprayed on fruits and vegetables consumed by our nation's children expose them to a risk of cancer much higher than the levels the Environmental Protection Agency considers safe. EPA does not accept the general findings of the NRDC study. However, EPA does agree that daminozide, a growth regulator, does pose a risk to children and has stated that it plans to order the product off the market. This chemical has been used on apples and thus affects all apple-related products.

"Mothers and Others" would like to see the levels of pesticides used on fruits and vegetables decreased considerably or banned altogether. They also believe that the government should provide incentives to farmers to encourage organically grown food.

It is our understanding that farm organizations are questioning the accuracy NRDC report.

For today's meeting Meryl Streep will be accompanied by Wendy Rockefeller, co-chair of "Mothers and Others" and four other representatives from the NRDC.

A meeting with the President would elevate the visibility of this issue within the White House beyond what we contemplated. It may also give credence to the overall NRDC report which may not be warranted.

National Committee of
"Mothers and Others for Pesticide Limits"

Meryl Streep - Chair
Wendy Gordon Rockefeller - Vice-Chair

Eddie Albert, Actor and Conservationist
T. Berry Brazelton, M.D.
Meredith Brokaw, President, Penny Whistle Toys, Inc.
Robert Coles, M.D.
Joan Ganz Cooney, Chairman and CEO, Children's Television Workshop
Sarah Jane Eads, Eads Ranch
Marian Wright Edelman, President, Children's Defense Fund*
Julie Nixon Eisenhower, Writer
Peter D. Hart, Chairman and CEO, Peter D. Hart Research Associates, Inc.
Teresa Heinz, Chair, National Council for Families & Television
Terry Holsapple, Earthborne Farm
Michael F. Jacobson, Ph.D., as Executive Director, Center for Science in the Public Interest
Rhoda Karparkin, Executive Director, Consumers Union*
Penelope Leach, Ph.D., Fellow, B.P.R.S.
Eleanor Bingham Miller, Producer
Herbert Needleman, M.D., for Committee on Environmental Hazards, American Academy of Pediatrics
Anna Quindlen, Writer
Richard Rivlin, M.D., Chief, Nutrition Service, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
Maria Rodale, Promotion Coordinator, Rodale Press
Mrs. George Rublee, for National Affairs and Legislation Committee, Garden Club of America
Courtney Kennedy Ruhe
Orville Schell, Writer
Iris Shannon, M.D., as President, American Public Health Association
Richard and Sharon Thompson, The Thompson Farm
Manya S. Ungar, as President, National PTA
Alice Waters, Owner and Chef, Chez Panisse

*Affiliation listed for identification purposes only

WORKING WITH FARMERS FOR SAFER PRODUCE

Organic farmers use no chemical pesticides.

- * Richard and Sharon Thompson farm 300 acres producing corn and beans along with hogs and cattle. By using a combination of techniques including ridge tilling, crop rotation, manure spreading and cover crops, the Thompsons have reduced or eliminated herbicides, pesticides and fertilizers. Thompson estimates he saves \$100 an acre in fuel and chemical costs.
- * Ben and John Brubaker grow corn, wheat, rye, oats, barley and alfalfa and raise beef, hogs and chickens on 340 acres in Berks County, Pennsylvania. By monitoring the use of all purchased inputs -- herbicides, synthetic fertilizers, insecticides -- the Brubakers have kept cash operating costs as much as 27 percent less than average for some crops while consistently producing yields that are as good as -- often better than -- county or state averages.
- * Fred and Janet Kirschenmann grow sunflower, millet and other cereal grains, flax and alfalfa (for feeding cattle) in North Dakota. Their success in organic farming has enabled them to expand their farm from 480 to 2,100 acres in 12 years.
- * Ed Sills grows organic yellow corn, popcorn and rice on a 1,400-acre farm in Pleasant Grove, California. By rotating his regular crops with nitrogen-rich purple vetch, Sills increases the fertility of his soil while decreasing insect infestations. Although his organic crop yields are 25 percent lower than the yields of his few remaining chemically grown crops, the organic crops earn twice as much, and his input expenses are down considerably.
- * Steve Pavich's 1,270-acre farm in Delano, California is the single largest organically grown table grape business in the world. Pavich uses biological insect controls, and enriches the soil with cover crops and manure. His organically grown grapes typically command 10 to 20 cents more per pound than conventionally grown grapes.
- * For more than 17 years, the Schroeder family has been farming 222 acres of corn, soybeans, grains and livestock in Columbus Grove, Ohio without the use of pesticides and fertilizers. The Schroeders use mechanical cultivation to control weeds and alternate crops that deplete soil nutrients with soil-building crops. Their corn yields are slightly lower than their neighbors', but this is offset by lower costs and the Schroeders' soybeans have sold for \$1.40 more per bushel than conventionally grown soybeans.

"Success stories" like these abound these days, as more and more

farmers are turning to low-chemical or no-chemical farming methods. In California alone, for instance, the total acreage under organic production more than doubled in the past two years, from 10,000 acres to nearly 26,000. Nationwide, the market for food grown without chemicals has increased 20-fold since the early 1970s, to as much as \$10 billion a year.

There are certainly compelling reasons for farmers to make the switch, including concerns about the health and economic costs of increased pesticide use. In fact, since the 1970s there has been a growing trend toward a "sustainable" form of agriculture that preserves resources while protecting the health of consumers and the environment and maintaining a steady income for farmers. This "Low-Input Sustainable Agriculture," or "LISA," involves farming methods that range from targeted, more efficient pesticide use to totally organic systems that eliminate the use of pesticides and fertilizers altogether. Specifically, low-input practices might include **integrated pest management**, which relies on careful monitoring to detect when pesticide applications will have the maximum effect; **crop rotation**, which helps break the reproductive cycle of most insects; **biological controls**, which assault pests with natural predators, parasites and pathogens; and the use of **cover crops** and plant varieties that resist pests. A 1986 OTA report concluded that in general IPM can reduce pesticide use by as much as 50%.

If the trend to safer farming is to continue and to accelerate, farmers are going to need support from consumers and the government. The expanded use of alternative pest control methods will depend, in part, on a decision by consumers to demand an end to the current dependence on chemical pesticides. Once growers perceive a larger demand for organic food, they will recognize the economic feasibility of switching to safer pest control techniques. Farmers will be much more willing to change their agricultural methods if they know that consumers will support their efforts. So your support of organic farming methods will mean that increased amounts of organic food will be available.

There are several things that you can do. First, you can buy directly from local farmers who grow crops organically or are in transition from high-chemical to no-chemical farming. You can also help those farmers to expand their markets for organic produce by putting supermarkets and other retail outlets in touch with them. You can write to Congress and to the USDA to urge the government to provide farmers with incentives to switch to pesticide-free farming. And you can give farmers useful information about the advantages of safer farming methods, as well as sources of technical help and ways to network with other organic farmers. This information has been compiled into one book, For Our Kids' Sake, published by "Mothers and Others for Pesticide Limits" which is a project of the Natural Resources Defense Council. To order the book for \$7.95, call 1-900-446-4400, ext. 55.

New York Times 25 February 1989

Pesticides Termed High Cancer Risk for Children

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 (AP) — An environmental group contends in a new report that preschool children are consuming chemicals in fruits and vegetables at levels that expose them to a risk of cancer many times greater than the Government considers safe.

The findings by the National Resources Defense Council, a private group specializing in environmental and health matters, were immediately challenged by the Environmental Protection Agency, which issued a statement today asserting that health risks to children are taken into account when setting limits for chemical residues on food.

The council, which has criticized government policy in numerous areas, is scheduled to announce the findings of its two-year study at a news conference Monday. An executive summary of the report was obtained today.

Weight Factor Cited

Janet Hathaway, one of the authors of the study, declined to comment except to say, "Our work definitively shows there is a greatly increased risk to children from chemicals in their diets."

The study, according to the summary, says preschool children are at an increased risk because the fruit and

vegetables they consume are many times more than that consumed by adults relative to their weight, and that preschoolers are more vulnerable to the effects of toxic chemicals.

The summary said the authors had analyzed consumption data and allowable residues of eight chemicals found to cause cancer in laboratory animals on 27 fruits and vegetables. They concluded that as many as 5,500 to 6,200 children among the current preschool population "may eventually get cancer solely as a result of their exposure before 6 years of age."

This represents a risk of at least 5 people in every 20,000 getting cancer

because of their exposure before the age of 6 years, the report said, adding that this is much higher than the one in a million considered allowable by the environmental agency in its risk analysis formula.

Critics of the study said it would raise false fears among parents.

'Voodoo Statistics' Charged

"It's voodoo statistics," said Dr. Elizabeth Whelan, executive director of the American Council on Science and Health. "This has nothing to do with the realities of disease."

In a telephone interview, Dr. Whelan said there was "no evidence of even one case of human cancer in children and adults being linked to exposure to the minute pesticide residues in food." She maintained that there were greater health risks in not using the

pesticides.

The National Resources Defense Council's study concludes that a typical preschool child receives on average 4 times greater exposure than adult women to 8 carcinogenic pesticides evaluated in the study, and that in some cases the increased exposure was as much as 18 times that of adults.

The report said the study's conclusions were based on fruit and vegetable consumption figures from the Agriculture Department and on levels of pesticide residues found on 27 fruits and vegetables according to the Food and Drug Administration and the environmental agency.

Preschoolers eat 6 times as much fruit in general, 7 times as much grapes, apples and apple sauce and 18 times as much apple juice as an adult, the study said. It said that half of all

fruits sampled by the F.D.A. in 1987 "had detectable levels of pesticides."

The environmental agency said in its statement that it was "concerned about potentially higher pesticide exposure to children and infants," but added that it took those concerns into account when determining levels of pesticides allowed on food.

The council's study saw exposure to daminozide, a growth regulator, as posing the greatest risk to children among the carcinogenic chemicals they examined, with a potential cancer risk to preschool children of 1 case in every 4,200 people exposed.

The environmental agency recently said it planned to order the product, which is used on apples, off the market. Makers of processed apple products have said for the most part that it is no longer being used by their industry.