



Elizabeth Murphy  
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Dear Ms Murphy,

As the owner of a small business, I am concerned about the affect the government has on the success of small and large companies. In this day and age of rising prices, we need our legislators to make the right decisions, which will enable our economy to recover quickly. What we do not need is the SEC making revisions in the shareholder proxy access rules, since this could create more troubles for large publicly traded companies and all those who do business with them.

For the past few years, I have run my business, which is a dog-grooming business. Thankfully, business is booming and I am considering hiring someone to help me. However, my success is not normal in this area, as many small businesses here are really struggling. If the government proceeds to revise the shareholder proxy rules, it could cause problems for publicly traded companies and result in them having to pass along higher prices to their small business clients. The cost for my grooming supplies is currently reasonable, but I do have to pay higher prices for insurance and utilities each year. If supply costs were to shoot up along with my other bills, it would make it tough for me to continue operating my business.

Sometime soon, I hope to retire and find an easier occupation. Still, I am grateful that my business venture has been so successful. I am hopeful that success will continue, and the government will not take any further action to meddle in the operation of my store or any other American business. Our economy will only truly bounce back if the government will allow the companies to strive for recovery with less interference by leaving the businesses alone.

Sincerely,

*Peggy Sicilia*