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Dear Mrs. Murphy,

The Securities and Exchange Commission's recent motion to allow certain shareholders to nominate directors is a very impractical proposal. It will do nothing at all to help our corporate entities or the growth of our economy. I am the owner of Mitchell Farms, and although this bill will not harm my business directly, it will be unhealthy for the bigger public corporations that I trade with. This proposal will stall corporate boards from tending to the things that need to be done to make a business successful.

Special interest groups will be allowed to make use of regulations in order to reap their own personal rewards, so the proposal would likely take more out the budget for these businesses. This increase in cost would trickle down right into my pockets. As a farmer, I buy specialized equipment from a major poultry supply company. I also regularly purchase things such as tractors, parts, supplies, feed and many more items from large companies across the country. My success depends on their success.

Adopting this rule would give the federal government even more authority. The Federal government has way too much say in business as it is, especially in the farming industry. I understand that things have to be regulated, especially our food supply, but farmers have been controlled more and more by those who know absolutely nothing about what has to be done to run a farm. It is very hard for U.S. farmers to compete with foreign countries because of all the strict regulations we must conform to. Just as the case is with farming, the government has stepped across the line with the new SEC rule. This new proposal has and will be a waste of time and effort for the corporations that I do direct business with; therefore, I encourage its defeat.

Sincerely,

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