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Mr. Ray E. Snyder  
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Dear Mr. Snyder:

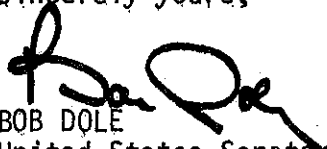
Thank you for your recent letter, regarding research done at the University of Missouri, and subsequent problems encountered at the Department of Interior.

I am very much aware of the fact that the problem that exists at HEW is not restricted to that agency of the government. It is my hope that the legislation that I will re-introduce in the next Congress, in January 1979, will be a great step forward in finding a solution to the patent policy now pursued by the federal government, a policy that has been anti-competitive and a deterrent to the promotion of innovation.

I appreciate your taking the time to bring this matter to my attention, and I thank you for the copy of the correspondence that was attached to your letter and which I read with interest. It proves, once more, how urgently needed is legislation that will stimulate the transfer of technology from the government to the private sector which has the resources and the capabilities to develop and market research, so that it reaches the public.

Your continued help and support on this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

  
BOB DOLE  
United States Senator

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