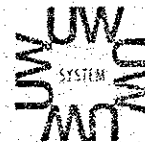


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November 23, 1979

The Honorable Robert W. Kastenmeier  
Congress of the United States  
Committee on the Judiciary  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Bob:

Subject: Patent Legislation

In your letter of August 15, 1979, you said you were delaying scheduling hearings on H.R. 2414 because of the administration's failure to support the proposed legislation. According to The White House Fact Sheet dated 11-1-79, the administration is apparently now ready to support this legislation. The Fact Sheet says: "The President also supports the retention of patent ownership by small businesses and universities, the prime thrust of legislation now in the Congress, in recognition of their special place in our society."

I understand that the Senate Judiciary Committee unanimously approved the Dole-Bayh bill which is another indication of the widespread support for this type of legislation.

I hope you will no longer delay having hearings on H.R. 2414 but will do whatever you can to have this legislation passed this session.

Sincerely,

Reuben H. Lorenz  
Vice President and  
Controller

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c: Howard Bremer