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Dear Paul,

I have periodically checked with the staff member in charge of Senator Nelson's Small Business Committee patent hearings. Today he tells me that they definitely will have hearings, which definitely will include the situation at colleges and universities. The hearings probably will be the first or second week of May, but specific dates have not been selected.

I told him Ray Snyder was interested in testifying and he suggested that Ray drop him a note to that effect. By copy of this letter, I am so advising Ray. The gentleman's name and address are: Mr. Jerry Sturgis, Senate Select Committee on Small Business, 424 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510.

With regard to DNA legislation, you may have heard that the House Commerce Committee completed markup on the Staggers-Rogers bill. The federal preemption provisions survived intact. The Committee Report should be filed this week, at which time the bill probably will be referred to the Committee on Science and Technology Policy.

The consultants' policy papers arrived March 13--just in time for the AAU mailing.

Sincerely,

Sandra F. Moody

cc: Ray Snyder <

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