

Elizabeth Murphy Securities and Exchange Council 100 F Street, NE Washington, DC 20549-1090

## Dear Ms. Murphy:

In January of 2007, I became the owner of my own business. Currently, I am sole proprietor of Light of Day Images. After much consideration, I turned what was once a small hobby, into a rapidly growing small business. It has been very rewarding to not only see my dreams become reality, but also make so many people happy while making a living for my family. The current proposal by the SEC to change shareholder proxy access stands to potentially hurt many businesses, including my own. The economy is suffering so much already; it would not be a good idea to make any changes that would put our country in danger of an even greater overall economic loss.

Light of Day Images has been very blessed, and I have not personally felt the impact of the poor economy as hard as some others have. The office supplier, at which I once purchased items for my company, recently shut down. Our community has seen many small specialty shops and restaurants shut down and even some big companies too. Within the past year, we have lost our Circuit City, Staples and Toys R Us. These are large companies that I would have never imagined would be forced to close their doors. It makes it scary to think - if they are not able to keep up financially, what chance do small business owners like me have? In addition to businesses shutting down, we have experienced a large number of layoffs recently within large industries. I work three days a week at my church, and the number of people we have coming in seeking assistance, and even food, because of unemployment, has skyrocketed recently.

Our country as a whole is suffering right now. There is such a high demand for jobs and so many people without work. We need to be focusing on creating jobs and helping businesses grow, not putting restrictions on them. Anything that would stand in the way of that, including this proposal, should be rejected.

Sincerely,

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