

September 27, 2013

The Honorable Fred Upton
Chairman
Energy and Commerce Committee
United States House of Representatives
2125 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Upton:

On behalf of McKesson Corporation and our 988 employees in Michigan, I thank you for your leadership on the Drug Quality and Security Act, bipartisan legislation to establish a uniform, national system for securing the pharmaceutical distribution supply chain.

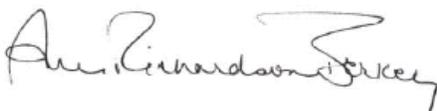
For more than 180 years, McKesson has led the industry in the delivery of medicines and healthcare products to drug stores. We have a long history of protecting the integrity of the pharmaceutical supply chain while ensuring the timely delivery of safe medicines to providers and patients.

The pharmaceutical distribution industry has consistently supported enactment of a national approach to pedigree and traceability. The Drug Quality and Security Act contains the core elements necessary to establish a comprehensive, practical framework that increases safety, continues to promote efficiencies and minimizes inconsistencies among the growing patchwork of state requirements. This approach will strengthen the pharmaceutical supply chain, help ensure safe, efficient delivery of medicines and protect patients from potential threats associated with counterfeit and diverted products.

In the absence of this national solution, the complexities of the current 50-state patchwork of pedigree laws present a significant challenge to all supply chain partners and threaten to create weak links in the supply chain that will jeopardize patient safety.

Congress, the Food and Drug Administration and industry stakeholders have been working diligently for over a decade to reach consensus on legislation to address this critical issue. On behalf of McKesson, I appreciate your leadership on the Drug Quality and Security Act. Should you have questions or need further information, please contact me at (415) 983-8494 or ann.berkey@mckesson.com.

Sincerely,



Ann Richardson Berkey