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Good Afternoon:

There has been a strong increase in abusive patent litigation which imposes a heavy cost on American businesses across the nation and here in Texas. In the end, this only threatens innovation.

America has been and needs to continue to be a leader in world technology. This innovation has been the core to America's economic strength and is critical to the future of our country. While the patent system has traditionally helped support and inspire innovation, the Patent Assertion Entities abuses of loopholes are hindering development of new innovations and restricting growth of new industries.

Now is the time for the FTC to work with Congress to put a stop to the abusive patent litigation tactics that PAEs use as their primary weapon against businesses in the United States.

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