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AN AFFILIATE OF

Ing. Loro Piana & C.s.p.a.

Monday 22nd February, 2010.

Members of the Labor Committee:

My name is Guy Birkhead , I am Vice President of Operations at the Warren Corporation in Stafford Springs . We manufacture high end quality fabric for the apparel industry.

I am writing to voice my opposition to SB-63, which would require Connecticut employers to provide paid sick leave. This proposal will substantially increase our business costs and could force us to reevaluate the other benefits we provide our employees. It will seriously put in jeopardy the future survival of the company .

As I stated last year , it really shows the complete lack of understanding the Connecticut Legislature has with regard to the economic conditions we are presently suffering. We have already laid off a significant part of our labor force and this would only accelerate additional reduction.

We urge you to reject this proposal and work with the business community to control labor and workplace costs in Connecticut. Thank you.

Signed,

Guy M Birkhead